

## Lights, Camera, Action!

FROM SUSAN RUSSELL, SENIOR ASSOCIATE, ADULT EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

### Youth Choirs Spring Musical

The Mastersingers and Troubadours join voices for their spring musical presentation *The Good Samaritan & Noah's Ark—God's Rainbow* this Sunday, April 17, at 3 p.m. in the Church. Young singers in grades 2-5 will bring to life two Biblical stories: the parable of the Good Samaritan, set to music by John Horman, and the Old Testament story of Noah, the ark, and God's promise to all people, featuring musical selections from the jazz cantata *100% Chance of Rain* by Walter S. Horsley. Under the musical direction of Stephanie Naifeh, choristers will be featured as soloists and percussionists and in ensembles and dramatic roles. The parish is invited to attend. A reception on the lawn follows the program. So bring your umbrella—it does get pretty wet in our story, but it has a happy ending! For more information, call 626.583.2719.

### Earth Day 2005

Celebrate Earth Day with EDEN on Sunday, April 17, on the lawn. This year highlights a different approach to auto pollution. There will be a Green Table with cuttings from native plants and Pasadena Water & Power and Pasadena Recycling will be on hand to teach us much more about our Own Backyard. For more information, call 626.583.2762.

As many of you know, I am an L.A. native and proud of it. I was born at Good Samaritan Hospital and baptized at old St. Paul's Cathedral, so I like to think that gives me dual citizenship as a native Angeleno *and* a cradle Episcopalian. So growing up as I did, I never had to ask what industry they meant when someone said they were "in the industry." It was also a kinder, gentler age where "they're shooting down the street!" didn't mean there had been a drive-by event, but that one of the neighbors had a movie or TV crew camped out on their front lawn. But, as I found out recently here at All Saints Church, growing up with "lights, camera, action" in the neighborhood is no guarantee against being as star-struck as the next person.

Jaded, industry savvy native that I am, I found myself hanging out the office windows just like everybody else, gawking as the crew set up to shoot the pilot of a maybe-going-to-be-on-NBC-in-the-fall show called *The Book of Daniel*. I was intrigued not only by the transformation the crew brought to the Rector's Office and the sanctuary, but by the honest to goodness "movie stars" wandering around our very own quad lawn: Aidan Quinn, Ellen Burstyn and (oh my goodness!) Phyllis Diller! And I was even more intrigued by the story line of this pilot episode: a young liberal Episcopal priest (Aidan Quinn) finds himself

butting heads with his conservative bishop (Ellen Burstyn!) while he tends his flock—which includes the aforementioned Phyllis Diller—and who talks to Jesus (not just in prayer but in *person!*). Only in L.A!

I don't know if the show will make the fall lineup—it would sure be fun if it did. But I do know it's just one more indicator of how much issues of faith and religion are "in"—and it's just one more opportunity we at All Saints Church have to proclaim the Good News we have been given to

share. How cool is it that a progressive Episcopal priest has a shot at being a prime-time drama protagonist? How surprising might it be to many who tune in to find out there actually IS a church where women can be bishops, clergy can be

human, and there's enough Good News around to extend to everybody? And how exciting is it that we get to be part of that process!

We do have Good News to share and—one baby step at a time—the media is starting to take notice. On Good Friday when we had a local news crew here for an interview, it was with *great* relief and excitement after it was over that there hadn't been a *single* question about schism, sexuality or Gene Robinson. It was all about faith, about the media, about the spiritual hunger of those seeking exactly what All Saints has to offer. And that's very Good News, indeed!



Pictured (l. to r.): Susan Russell, Garret Dillahunt, Ed Bacon and Aidan Quinn.

# Sunday

APRIL 17, 2005

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## ADULTS AT 10:15

### RECTOR'S FORUM

#### What Were Aidan Quinn, Ellen Burstyn, Phyllis Diller and Jesus Talking About on All Saints' Lawn?

with screenwriter Jack Kenny

All Saints is a stage—on Sundays for the great drama of liturgy, and occasionally during the week for the comedy and drama of film or television. Most recently, shortly after the Holy Week/Easter pageantry, the campus hosted the filming of a television pilot, *The Book of Daniel*, featuring an Episcopal priest, played by Aidan Quinn, who talks to Jesus. Ellen Burstyn plays a bishop, and Phyllis Diller, a patient in the hospital. Appearing on the stage of the Rector's Forum this Sunday is Jack Kenny, who wrote the script. Kenny trained at the Juilliard Theatre Center from 1978-82, and gathered acting credits on and off Broadway, on television and in film. He has written for several television shows and created the series *Titus*, which played on the Fox network for three years. Kenny will talk about his creative journey into writing and show a clip from *The Book of Daniel*. **Forum**

#### Delegates return from World Social Forum in Brazil

with Marty Coleman, Mae Gautier, Helen Toy, Bob Stiles and Geza Tokes

Five All Saints parishioners recently returned from the fifth annual World Social Forum in Brazil. In a presentation laced with stirring Brazilian music from the landless workers movement and illustrated with Brian Biery's stunning photographs, the team will relate their experiences getting acquainted with Brazil's powerful and effective social and environmental movements that are setting the pace for transformation in Latin America and its relationship to the United States. More than 200,000 people from all over the planet participated in the social forum, created to bring front and center the human and environmental elements missing in the global economic summits. As U.S. representatives, what were our All Saints delegates asked? Why is dignity such an important concept in the current economic dialogue? Can poor countries protect the environment while creating jobs? What can All Saints learn from our brothers and sisters in the southern America? Come have your senses stirred, your imagination fired and your hope restored. **Guild Room**

## FOR CHILDREN

### Preschool (ages 2-4), SCOTT HALL

- 9:00 Infant and Child Care with Bible Stories
- 10:15 Sunday School: *The Good Shepherd and World Communion*
- 11:15 Infant and Child Care with Bible Stories

### Grade School (K-5), LEARNING CENTER

- 9:00 Children's Chapel: Children go to church with their parents, leave following the Gospel, and return at the presentation of the offering
- 10:15 Godly Play: K-3, *The Good Shepherd and World Communion*; 4-5, *The Synagogue and the Upper Room*
- 11:15 Sacred Stories, Prayers and Reflections

## FOR YOUTH

- 10:15-11:00 Junior High & High School Programs  
**JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH ROOMS**

**EUCCHARIST AT 7:30, 9 AND 11:15 A.M.**

**Zelda Kennedy preaches on**  
*A Special Relationship.*

### Coventry Choir

sings *Jubilate Deo* by Benjamin Britten and *The 23rd Psalm* by Bobby McFerrin.

## SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES

Acts 2:42-47  
1 Peter 2:19-25  
John 10:1-10  
Psalm 23

## Ministry of the Week

Visit the Featured Ministry table on the lawn on Sunday, April 17, to learn about **EDEN (Environmental Defense of the Earth Now)**

## Welcome, Elizabeth Lenti

It is with great delight and excitement that we announce the appointment of Elizabeth Lenti as our associate organist-choirmaster. Elizabeth brings a wealth of talent, experience and enthusiasm to this important position. In addition to being a brilliant musician, she is a wonderful human being with great sense of humor.

A native of Rochester, New York, Elizabeth Lenti recently completed her master's degree at the Cleveland Institute of Music, where she studied with Todd Wilson. Prior to going to Cleveland, Elizabeth did her undergraduate work at the Eastman School of Music, studying with David Higgs. She has been an active participant in numerous conferences and conventions, both nationally and internationally, including the Göteborg International Organ Academy and the Oundle International Festival. In 2004, Elizabeth received the second prize in the Arthur Poister Competition for Organ Playing and was one of 25 official competitors chosen for the prestigious 2004 National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance. For the past three years, she has been assistant organist at Fairmount Presbyterian Church in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

We are deeply grateful for the prayerful support of the parish throughout this careful and thorough selection process. Help us welcome Elizabeth on Sunday morning, April 24.



## Covenant I Class Sees the Light of Day

This springtime, the Covenant Class moves to daytime. If you have begun attending All Saints Church and feel moved in your spirit to consider becoming a member, or if you have been around for a while and feel the need to reconnect, we would love to have you spend some Sunday afternoons with us. The class will begin with a meal together on Sunday, May 1, at 1 p.m. in Sweetland Hall, and will continue meeting weekly from 1 to 3 p.m. through June 19.

Each week participants meet for two hours, first hearing a presentation by a member of the staff who shares his or her own journey of faith in light of the Baptismal Covenant, as well as aspects of life within the Episcopal Church and All Saints. Then participants meet in a small group with seven or eight other class members and a trained leader who is a member of the congregation.

At the end of the Covenant Class, participants decide if their unique spiritual journey with God is a good match with the worship, life and ministry of All Saints Church. If so, on Sunday, June 26, they are welcomed as members of All Saints!

For information and registration materials, visit our special registration table on the lawn beginning April 17, or contact Rusty Harding at 626.583.2735.

## Women of Spirit Continues to Explore the Divine Feminine

Women of Spirit will continue its theme of *Exploring The Divine Feminine* by discussing Jean Shinoda Bolen's spiritual autobiography, *Crossing To Avalon*. "Bolen's pursuit takes her on an incredible journey to Europe that leads her to discover the importance of her own history, the changes and challenges at midlife and the meaning of the goddess in the lives of women." Bolen, a Jungian analyst and clinical professor of psychiatry at the University of California, San Francisco, will be present for the discussion on Wednesday, May 4, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in the OCC Conference Room. She is the author of *Goddesses in Every Woman*, *God's in Everyman*, *The Tao of Psychology*, *Ring of*

*Power, Goddesses in Older Women* and *The Millionth Circle*. *Crossing To Avalon* is available at Vroman's Bookstore (Will Call Desk) or Amazon.com. Please bring something to share for a potluck meal. For more information, contact Onnolee Sullivan at 626.449.3267 or [ojsullivan@aol.com](mailto:ojsullivan@aol.com).

## Gary Hall Installed as Dean

Former All Saints staff priest Gary Hall (1989-2000) and his wife Kathy have moved from Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, where Gary was rector of the Church of the Redeemer, to a seminary campus in Evanston, Illinois. On April 21, he will be installed as the ninth dean and president of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary. This post combines two of Gary's strengths and passions—church and academia—and allows him to be addressed as not just the Reverend, but as the Very Reverend Gary R. Hall, the appropriate form of address for a dean of an institution. Ed and Hope will represent All Saints at the installation ceremonies, delivering the very best wishes from all his friends and fans here in Pasadena.

## Children's Center Selected for Early Launch Program

All Saints Children's Center was one of two centers in the Pasadena area to be recently chosen to be part of Los Angeles Universal Preschool's Early Launch Program. Guided by a 10-year plan, LAUP's goal is to make high-quality voluntary preschool available to every 4-year-old child in Los Angeles County, regardless of family income. Before being selected, the Children's Center underwent an extensive evaluation of elements like the teachers' qualifications, parent involvement, and the overall quality of the learning environment. Staff members demonstrated their ability to manage and run an effective program with great teachers, developmentally appropriate activities and a commitment to quality. LAUP funds will be used to recruit and retain good teachers, coordinate other social services for children and families, pay for field trips, improve the curriculum, pay for teachers' continued training and education, and reduce costs to parents.



## Rockin' With The Rector

This year, Ed Bacon will celebrate his 10th anniversary as rector of All Saints Church. To commemorate those 10 years, there will be a party on Friday, April 29, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All parishioners are invited, and reservation forms are attached to the Sunday liturgy and are available in the church office. In advance, we invite you to write a note to Ed expressing your gratitude for his years of dedication and service. All notes will be compiled into an album and presented to Ed at the party. If you wish to participate, please write your message on a card or paper not exceeding 8½" x 11". Submissions should be sent to Susan Long, 50 West Dayton Street #209, Pasadena, CA 91105 and received no later than April 22.

## Men's Council Retreat: Reclaiming Masculinity

Men's Council will host a men's retreat on Saturday, May 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Camp Angelus in Altadena. Rick Thyne will lead the retreat, the focus of which will be *Reclaiming Masculinity in Relationships*. The retreat is designed to provide a healthy alternative to both false masculinity of politics and business and some of the values of much current psychological literature. Cost is \$25 per person, which includes continental breakfast and a packed lunch. For more information or to register, contact Jon Neff at [jonneff2000@yahoo.com](mailto:jonneff2000@yahoo.com).

# shorts

## Career/Work Support Group

The mission of this group is to support God's people in their vocational lives through regular opportunities to share career, job, and work issues and ideas. The agenda is created and guided by the needs of participants and may address work/life (im)balance, un(der)employment, vocational uncertainty, burnout/overwork, and related issues. Participants read and discuss articles and books, and guest speakers are invited to

share with the group. The group meets the first and third Sunday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m., and is "open-ended" and "come and go as needed." For more information or to register, contact Stephen Cheney-Rice at 626.824.5244 or [sccheneyrice@earthlink.net](mailto:sccheneyrice@earthlink.net).

## Meeting Date Change for

**Fiction Fun!** ▪ *Fiction Fun!* will meet on Friday, April 22 (not April 29 as previously mentioned), in the Guild Room to discuss *Housekeeping*, Marilynne Robinson's novel of transience and transcendence. April's discussion will be the first of two looking at Robinson's work. Fiction Fun! will

then read and discuss Robinson's most recent work, *Gilead*, in May. Social time begins at 7 p.m.; discussion follows from 7:30 to 9 p.m. All are welcome. For more information about this and other upcoming *Lectio Local* topics, call Rusty Harding at 626.583.2735.

**Parish Retreat** ▪ This year's Parish Retreat will be held on June 24-26, with Susan Russell at Santa Barbara's La Casa de Maria. Details to come. For more information, visit the Parish Council table.

# prayers

FOR THE PARISH COMMUNITY

**Remember those for whom prayers have been requested:** Andre Amacker; Lou Bartlett; Mario e. Beaulieu; Norm Best; Ann Brown; Jeffrey Coates; Minnie Collins; Myron L. Dale; Wendy Detroy; Betty Fox; James J. Gigante; Carmen Gonzalez; Christinia Hamilton; Charlene Lightfoot; Carrie and Scott Muster; Ari Palitz; Cameron Robb; Gordon Smith; James Trammel; Antonia, Richard and Alex; Katrina; Lisa; Lily; Mary; Maggie; Matthew.

**In thanksgiving for:** The birth of Julius Gonzales Barnes, son of Vanna and Curtis Barnes, grandson of Susie and Reggie Barnes.

**For those who have died:** Inez Armwood; Ida Cooke; Edward O. Guerrant; Miles Leland Hart; Cora Belle Hogner; Paul Lightfoot; Terri Schiavo; Pope John Paul II.

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