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TO KNOW CHRIST BETTER AND TO MAKE HIM BETTER KNOWN

Rector's Message

On War

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson



Our airwaves have been filled with news, images and opinions about the conflict between Ukraine and Russia. There have been many and varied opinions given regarding the ways in which the rest of the countries in the world should react or be involved.

I must admit that the topic of armed combat or war has always baffled me. Maybe it is because I come from a country that has not had an army since 1948, long before I was born. Nevertheless, we bordered with countries that were constantly, and some still are, in the midst of civil wars. After the attacks of September 11, 2001, the United States waged war on Iraq; it was officially my first time living in a country that was at war.

Both then and now the concept of war baffles me. I struggle with the question WHY? Why do human beings live in a state of mind that constantly leads us to try and pummel each other to the point of submission or death, in the name of ideologies and things. I am distressed when I hear that young people who have trained as soldiers are being ordered to go into battle for causes that many times are not their own, knowing there is a strong possibility they will not return alive. Does the cause justify the loss of life, on any side? Maybe it does, but who gets to make that determination?

I regularly try to go to my Christian faith to find the resources necessary to decry what I believe is the unnecessary destruction of life caused by wars, but the history of Christianity is riddled with examples of battle and murder perpetrated under the banner of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Christianity has not proven itself to be the bearer of the most accurate moral compass when it comes to the issues of war and inter-human conflict.

Christian theologians such as St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas made declarations and wrote theological treatises on the topic of 'Just Wars.' They wanted to outline the situations in which potentially deadly conflicts would be justifiable. Despite accords, agreements and treatises, there is still not one universally held opinion on what would constitute a just war. Christianity as a whole, and even in its parts, has not been able to reach a universally held vision.

My final landing place in trying to discern my grievances with war is the life of Jesus and in particular the events we will remember during the days of Holy Week. The expectation was that the promised Messiah would be a warrior, a champion that would lead the people of Israel to triumphantly pummel their adversaries and oppressor. They got Jesus instead. The war that Jesus invited followers to fight with all their might was a war with the self, the ego, the part of us that makes us believe that we are above everyone else. Jesus invites us to battle the part of us that would lead to hate and destroy our neighbor. We are to sacrifice that part of ourselves in order to be born anew with a heart and mind to love our neighbors and build them up.

Spirituality: Easter Is Almost Here

The Rev. Anne Jensen

We are getting closer to Easter, a day that fills our hearts with joy!

Yes, we are still in the season of Lent, and if you haven't yet given much attention to doing some prayerful personal consideration of who you are in relationship to God, there's still time.

When you receive this newsletter you will still have 16 days before Easter arrives.

Before we get to Easter, however, we will encounter Holy Week, which begins with Palm Sunday. Holy Week, Easter, and the Easter season all go together, as each part leads to another.

These holy days are the summit of the Christian year. Participating in the liturgies of Holy Week, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday is the best preparation for the Easter Vigil and Easter morning. The word Triduum (Tri'-du-um) may be a new word to you; it encompasses Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Saturday night. During these three days we accompany Jesus from the upper room to the garden of Gethsemane, to prison, to trial, to the cross, to the tomb and ultimately to the Resurrection.

Over the Holy Triduum, the Church comes together to pray our most beautiful prayers, hear our most meaningful Scriptures, and offer some of our finest music. These are the three days that have changed the world and are central to our salvation. You don't want to miss them!

Easter is the most important day of the Christian year. On this day we celebrate the Resurrection, God's mighty act of raising Jesus from the tomb and His triumph over sin and death. Through Him we find our salvation. No longer are we bound by the baggage of our former lives. Instead, we are invited to new life, a life of freedom found in following the risen Christ.

Next month: Living as Easter People



MORE THAN ENOUGH

Lent: Making More Than Enough Space

The process of letting go of something that once added value to our lives can be uncomfortable, even painful. In letting go of old patterns that no longer serve us, we make space for new, healthier ones. The Lenten season is an excellent time for recentering, reevaluating, and recommitting to letting go of whatever it is that holds us back from living a fuller life. We all deserve to make space for ourselves.

It takes intentionality and discipline to commit to making space for all the delightful and messy parts that come with our fullness. We can make more than enough room for it by engaging in rituals—rituals that anchor us in a special time and place, which disrupt thought patterns, reframe perspectives, and ultimately transform the ways we relate to ourselves. I've struggled with anxiety my entire life. And while there are many things in the world that warrant an anxious response, there are certain thought patterns that I experience simply because they are addictive, even when I know they are destructive.

Lent invites us to employ all of our senses and bodies in a way that is even differ-



Questions For Reflection:

In the context of

Stewardship, we can think about the ways that Lent makes a spiritual space that affirms *more than enough-ness* after healthy letting go. What might you need to let go of in order to make space for your fullness—whether it be your spirituality to blossom or space to simply exist in?

ent from each Sunday's set of holy practices and meditations. The very act of engaging in ritual, religious or secular, creates sacred space for subtle mental transformations. Though sometimes difficult to commit to, ritual importantly disrupts daily life, allowing for new connections with ourselves, the light, and the enough-ness, that's within us already. In making space for ritual, I craft a sacred space for me, allowing room for my whole human experience to exist in, to take up space.

To make space for my complete fullness, anxious thoughts and all, I like to commit to small, attainable rituals. I try to dedicate a little time every day to tidying my room while listening to one of my coveted ambient playlists. The smell of Earl Grey tea and jasmine incense is calming for me, so I make sure I have access to those scents nearby. And if I need to, I journal to confront my racing thoughts on paper.

The point of this is not to have a quick fix, it's more about integration, as my therapist would say. But it's also about finding expansion within and outside the constraints of our bodies. Rather than repressing and making anxiety smaller, I make intentional room for it, a tangible place for it to go. Even when it feels like there is no room, ritual makes the room to confront, process, and make space for healing. It's in these moments, in my own way, that I can remind myself that I deserve to be kinder to myself. |

Elise Mills, TENS' Staff Writer, is a recent graduate, writer, and musician from San Francisco. She looks forward to taking afternoon naps with her cat.



Music Director Search Update

Sharon Pilmer, Sheila Fischer, George Strait, Victoria Larson, John Prescott, Irene Plunkett, Joseph Hughes

The music director search committee has met several times. Our next step will be reaching out to the congregation at large and our current singers to refine and validate the vision. We have developed a congregational survey that has already been released. We appreciate your taking a few minutes to complete it. The survey will be accessible to you in several different ways.

You can use this link to go to the survey directly: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3857NR5>

You have been sent this link via an email that will take you to the survey.

The link is also available on the website.

Using your smart phone, you can scan this QR code which will take you to the survey.

Paper copies of the survey will be available at church and can be mailed to you at your request by calling our parish administrator at (510) 834-4314.



We ask that each adult in your household who attends worship, as well as any children able to understand and complete the questions, should complete the survey. The survey will close right after Easter.

Once all surveys are in, we will collate the results, incorporate them into the vision statement and present them in a town hall format (date and in person vs zoom vs both TBD). Results will also be available in an upcoming newsletter. In the meanwhile, we will be finalizing the job description and hopefully will have it posted by May 1. As part of our process, the vestry has approved money to have a professional assessment of the current state of our organ, which will be important for both potential applicants and vestry to know as we seek to prioritize capital improvement projects. We will make the results of this assessment available to you once it is completed.

Senior Warden's Message

Maura Lane

It is spring. The days are longer and getting warmer. There is more light. We are continuing to work with the changes that come at the end of a pandemic. In other words – more change.

I've been reflecting on how much change can come as an outcome of the discernment we do during Lent. Or no change at all. We still have wars and illness. We still have the pain of watching a candidate for the Supreme Court go through an unnecessarily brutal confirmation hearing process while maintaining her dignity.

The Vestry also has its challenges as we respectfully discuss ways to do the work we agreed to do on behalf of everyone. The process of deciding priorities is often educational as we listen to one another – and you. Please continue to pray for your Vestry as we discern the best paths to follow currently. Let us all continue to spread light where there is darkness. See you in church!



Community Outreach and Social Justice

Matthew Schooler

As I start out my term on the Vestry for St. Paul's, it is my honor to be liaison for Community Outreach and Social Justice. I have always been a supporter of the Food Pantry to help feed those in our local community. We are blessed to have Archdeacon Bolton organizing it and the volunteers who work tirelessly to get food to families twice a month. I have mixed feelings seeing the line outside of church on those Food Pantry days. I am sad to see so much need but I also am grateful for the help this church community is offering our neighbors. We feed 80-100 families on a twice-monthly basis. Monetary donations to the Food Pantry are always welcome, and at the moment they are in dire need of juice donations. There will be an Easter event that Deacon Bolton will announce soon.



St Paul's participated in a Peace Stand In on March 12 that was organized by the faith community of Truevine Ministries, located in West Oakland. Elder Bob Mitchell led us in prayer.

Joey Bishop brought the signs. Lisa McCracken led a chant as we stood on all 4 corners of Mandela Parkway and 7th Street. Paula Hawthorn, her husband, and I joined Mama Sallie Carey, Pastor Zack's mother, in the Peace Stand In. Pastor Zack Carey prayed us out. It is a reminder of our need to stand up to the increasing violence that is taking over the streets. Paula Hawthorn will announce a future Peace Stand In. I hope more folks from St. Paul's will join us that day.

Community Outreach and Social Justice are vital parts of church and of being a follower of Christ. We are called to feed the hungry and take a stand against violence. Helping others is our calling. Please let me

know if there are other ways we can have a voice in Outreach or Social Justice. You can reach me at mwschooler70@gmail.com. Looking forward to hearing from you.

On Gratitude

Sharon Pilmer, Stewardship Chair

Gratitude is the ability to experience life as a gift. It liberates us from the prison of self-preoccupation.

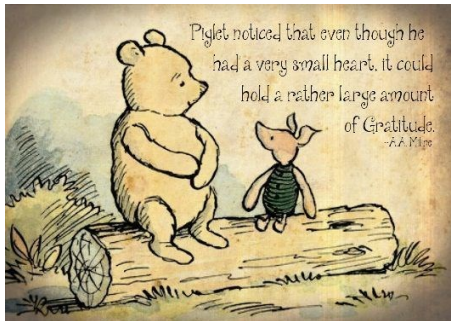
JOHN ORTBERG

I cried because I had no shoes, then I met a man who had no feet.

MAHATMA GANDHI



The last few years have been a lot. Unending political vitriol, a pandemic that has claimed nearly one million lives in this country and made countless others ill, and now unimaginable carnage and devastation in Ukraine. I confess that from time to time I fall prey to the litany of negative and tragic events facing our world.



Much has been written about the practice of gratitude as an antidote to the world's ills. If you search "gratitude" using your favorite search engine, you will find countless quips and quotes about it. One site describes gratitude as "magic". I like to think of gratitude as a manifestation of God's grace. My personal experience with what I consider the "holy habit" of gratitude is that it completely shifts my internal narrative into something more positive and translates into action. The action may be an internal action, for example, a prayer for the continued good health of a loved one, or a thanksgiving for something beautiful in nature. My gratitude might be outwardly manifest, for example, a word of thanks to a healthcare worker, a kind word to a stranger, an offering in support of a good cause, or a financial gift to my church for the many blessings I receive there.

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PLEDGE UPDATE:

Thanks to all who have made a financial promise to St. Paul's for 2022. The financial gifts we offer to St. Paul's are our primary source of income. If you have not made a pledge for 2022 (we need to renew each year), it is not too late. You may make your pledge online or obtain a pledge card from the church and return it to the offering plate or by mail.

Year-to-date we are behind in pledges received by about \$10,000 (YTD budget \$28,333, YTD actual \$18,792). If you have indicated on your pledge card that you will be paying your pledge electronically, either by ACH or by credit card, setting up payments via our website is secure and very simple. On the website, click the "GIVE" button and you will be taken to the site to complete your information. If you have already set this up, please check to make sure the transactions to St. Paul's appear on your bank or credit card statement. We are grateful for your support!



The St. Paul's Legacy Society: The Importance of Having a Will

Doug Jensen

The Book of Common Prayer counsels us to have a will:

The Minister of the Congregation is here directed to instruct the people, from time to time about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families. [And] of the duty of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods. [p.445]



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tate plan is essential!

Unfortunately, about 50% of Americans die without a valid will and allow the state courts to decide who will receive their assets. Why is it that so many people will spend a lifetime working to accumulate property and then leave its distribution to state law, which may not be in accordance with their wishes and may cost their loved ones money?

Perhaps procrastination, inability to face death, and lack of familiarity with pertinent laws or concerns about the cost of creating a valid will are reasons why so many people die without executing a will.

Over the past two years, all our lives have changed in unimaginable ways. Now is a good time to take the time to plan for your family's future. Determining who gets what at your death provides a tremendous financial advantage. True, you will incur some expense in having a will drafted, and you will need to invest time communicating your desires to an estate attorney and to your family, but it will be one of the wisest investments you ever make. A thoughtfully prepared will can provide peace of mind for both you and your beneficiaries.

Our first thought is to think of our families, but we should not stop there. There is also our spiritual family, the Church. You can memorialize a lasting interest in St. Paul's Church and become a founding member of our new Legacy Society. Please give this serious consideration. There is a tradition of past generations giving to St. Paul's, creating a foundation that is still supporting the ministry we have today. What more fitting expression of gratitude for your time as a member of St. Paul's than to make a bequest to St. Paul's, providing for the future work of the church you love?

There is one further counsel here. That is, that persons making wills or trusts, or other instruments of estate planning are not to neglect "to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses."

Having a will or other estate plan is such an important part of Christian faith and stewardship that it is explicitly addressed in our book of worship. For an adult Christian, having a valid will and estate plan is essential!



Beethoven: the Music, the Myth, and the Man

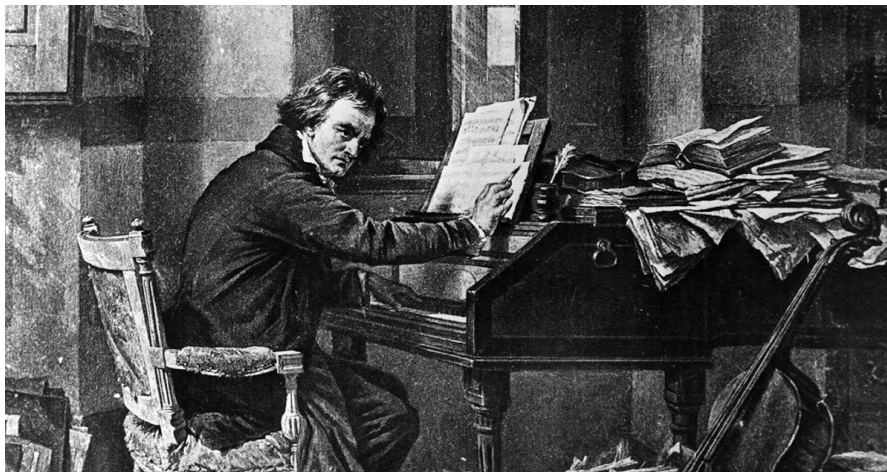
Lectures by St. Paul's Parishioner John Prescott

Thursdays, 10am-noon
April 7 to May 12, via Zoom

This course will explore the circumstances that led Ludwig van Beethoven to become the most well-known name in European classical music. We will discuss how Beethoven became the archetype of the suffering artist, setting the tone for musicians, writers, and painters throughout the nineteenth century. We will investigate the role of his deafness in his creative process. Beethoven carried on traditions he inherited. He also crashed through older expectations to pioneer new pathways. We will listen to music from his early, middle, and late periods of creative endeavor.

The course is offered through the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at San Francisco State. *

For those who participated in my Beethoven mini course last Spring, this will be an expansion and development of the material we surveyed.



Week 1. Beethoven's world: the Beginnings.

Week 2. The Symphonies, Part I.

Week 3. The Symphonies, Part II.

Week 4. Beethoven's vocal music: *Fidelio* and the *Missa Solemnis*.

Week 5. Beethoven's piano music.

Week 6. Beethoven's chamber music.

*The Osher Institute offers college level courses for anyone 55 years of age or older. Once you are a member of the Osher Institute, you can register for my specific course by clicking here: <https://www.campusce.net/sfsu/course/course.aspx?C=844&pc=117&mc=0&sc=0>

John Prescott received his M.A. and Ph.D. in musicology from U. C. Berkeley. He also studied at Oxford University's Worcester College. John has written extensively on the music of Handel. He wrote his doctoral dissertation on John Stanley, the 18th-century blind organist, conductor, violinist, and impresario. In addition to many other presentations and educational contributions, since 2013 he has been a lecturer at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes.

Any member of the Parish may attend Vestry meetings, which are at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month, unless otherwise noted; the full minutes of the meeting are available to parish members upon request by contacting the parish administrator or a member of the Vestry

**THE
2022 VESTRY**
The Rev. Dr. Mauricio
Wilson, Rector
Maura Lane,
Senior Warden
Will Cowart Jr.,
Junior Warden
Flarnie Adams,
Clerk
Ann Goggins Gregory
Treasurer

VESTRY BY CLASS
Class of 2022
Will Cowart
Ann Gregory
Sharon Pilmer
Class of 2023
Flarnie Adams
Brian Stanke
Maura Lane
Class of 2024
Indira Balkisson
Matthew Schooler
One to be appointed

**DEANERY DELEGATES
AND ALTERNATES
2022**

Delegates
Melanie Blake
Jeanette Dinwidie-Moore
Tom McGarrell

Alternates
-vacancy-

Highlights from the March 22, 2022 Vestry Meeting Flarnie Adams, Clerk

In order to keep the Parish informed of the work that the Vestry board does as the elected volunteer leadership of the church, we will be reporting monthly on the Vestry meetings and sharing a written summary each month in the bulletin and newsletter.

As a reminder, any member of the Parish may attend Vestry meetings which are every fourth Tuesday of the month, unless otherwise noted, and the full minutes of the meeting are available to parish members upon request by contacting the parish administrator or a member of the Vestry.

What follows is a summary of the key decisions made by the Vestry at the March 22, 2022 Vestry meeting.



The Vestry shared prayers, memories, and thoughts remembering Maria Paull.

Sharon and Indira, representing the stewardship committee, will be submitting an article to the newsletter, and also making an announcement during church, to share information about different ways to tithe.

The Vestry agreed on prioritizing the work to create a plan for future maintenance, repairs, and renewal for buildings and grounds. Will continues to lead that committee.

Funding of up to \$1,000 was approved to cover an assessment of the current state of the organ because this information will be needed during the process of hiring a new Music Director.

There was a discussion of updating COVID protocols in light of the updated guidance from the county and from the Diocese.

◊The Vestry agreed that a requirement for masks indoors will continue through Lent and Easter. After Easter, there will be a new discussion to revisit COVID protocols.

◊For the Easter service there will not be a requirement to check vaccine status.

◊Father Wilson will announce in the future about these updates to the COVID protocols for St. Paul's.

Brian Stanke will fill in as Vestry Clerk for Flarnie while she is on maternity leave.

Sharon shared that the committee searching for a Music Director has a plan and is making progress; look for more updates coming soon from that committee!

The search for a Director of Children and Youth Ministries is going well - there are multiple strong candidates being examined for the position at this time.

Treasurer's Update

Ann Goggins Gregory

Through the first two months of the year, we are seeing below-budget revenue and expenses.

Historically, pledges have come in under budget at the beginning of the year and then have picked up steam as we got into the second quarter. This year has followed that trend; we remain about \$10K behind year to date. Please see Sharon Pilmer's Stewardship update elsewhere in this newsletter for helpful reminders on setting up your pledge payment or renewing.

See summary and additional notes on trends below.



	Year-to-date actuals as of February 28, 2022	Year-to-date budget through February 28, 2022
Revenue	\$16,932	\$26,732
Expense	\$36,822	\$44,773
Net Income	(\$19,890)	(\$18,041)

REVENUE DYNAMICS:

Pledges were \$4.1K under budget for February and \$9.7K behind year to date (\$18.8K actual vs. \$28.3K budgeted).

Plate was \$3K below budget for February and \$6K behind year to date (\$3.2K actual vs. \$9.1K budgeted).

EXPENSE DYNAMICS:

Personnel is under budget by \$7K, driven by the open Children & Youth Ministries position.

On the balance sheet / investment side of things, the financial markets have had a rough and tumultuous start to the year. We are down about \$250K year to date on a \$2.5M initial balance. As Father Mauricio often says, "St. Paul's is a long-term player," as our assets support the church over the long-term. We continue to monitor the market and are in frequent touch with our Merrill Lynch financial advisors.

As always, I'm available for your questions or comments at goggins.gregory@gmail.com.

The 80th General Convention and You

Carolyn Knapp

You are probably familiar with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry through his wonderful sermons and talks. He is, in many ways, the face of the national Episcopal Church. But the Church is not an autocracy! Behind the Presiding Bishop is a lively legislative branch of its government, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies. Their decisions, made at a general convention every three years, affect policies and worship throughout the Episcopal Church. And you have a representative going to that convention. Father Mauricio is an Alternate Clergy Deputy!

Curious about the behind-the-scenes work and what's coming up at the next General Convention in July? Our diocese has sent this message via DioCal, a weekly electronic newsletter that I highly recommend: <https://www.diocal.org/2022/03/15/diocal-news-events-4/> On that webpage click "read more."

(N.B : for the latest edition you'll need to sign up for a free subscription.)

Delegates and alternates from the Diocese of California are busy preparing for the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church, which is taking place July 7-14 in Baltimore, Maryland. Their legislative priorities include racial justice, creation care, voting rights, and the prayer book, just to name a few.

Part of our deputation's work includes attending and testifying at the various online legislative committee meetings now underway. These meetings are also open to the general public, so we invite you to take part! To see the schedule and register, please click [here](#). **Note: To observe or testify, registration must be submitted at least two days prior to a hearing.** You will receive login details the day before the hearing. Click [here](#) to learn more about the legislative committees.



Members of our General Convention delegation meeting on Zoom, Monday, March 13, to discuss proposals for the Convention

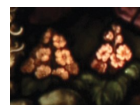
The Windows of St. Paul's

Robert Knapp

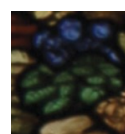
The Regua Resurrection Window

This triple lancet Gothic window with cinquefoil tops is a naturalistic painting set at sunrise in a California landscape. Mary Magdalene comes early in the morning on the first day of the week to Jesus' tomb. She sees it empty and informs some of the disciples. They come, look, but then run away. But Mary stays and sees Jesus. The window portrays the moment when Jesus says to her, "Mary," and she replies, "Rabboni." (John 20:1-18) Mary Magdalene, Jesus and the tomb are all in a garden—a California garden with the Sierra Nevada in the background. As if a play on Mary's first mistaking Jesus for the gardener, we find carefully laid-out California plants:

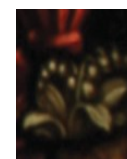
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Periwinkle



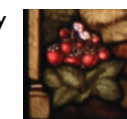
Lily of the Valley



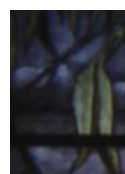
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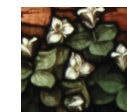
Strawberry



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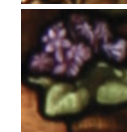
Sequoia



Rose



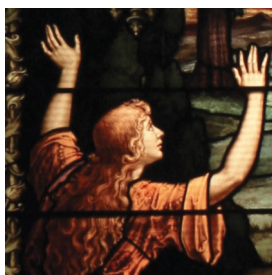
Violet



The window itself is composed with many discrete details.

Below Left:

Mary Magdalene, on her knees with hands raised toward the risen Christ. Her gown is golden with stripes and motifs in brown and orange.



Below Middle:

Christ stands at the entrance to the cave sepulcher and raises his right hand in blessing to Mary Magdalene. His halo is cruciform and decorated with flower and leaf motifs in gold. His white robes are embellished with symbolism in gold. This includes a large IHS (the first three Greek letters of Jesus—barely discernable) and a fleurée cross in the folds.



The Windows of St. Paul's

Robert Knapp

The Requa Resurrection Window

Below Right:

A winged angel sits on the edge of the opened stone tomb. Its large red wings rise behind the figure. Its green robe is trimmed with jewels and its halo is embellished with a star and jewels.

Above left:

The figure of Moses in the architectural framework. As is traditional, he is shown with horns. This is due to a mistranslation in St. Jerome's Vulgate Bible. In Exodus 34:29, when Moses descends from Mt. Sinai, the "skin of his face is shining light." Jerome mistranslated "shining light" as "growing horns." Moses holds the stone tablets of the Commandments engraved with Roman numerals, symbolizing the Law.

Above center:

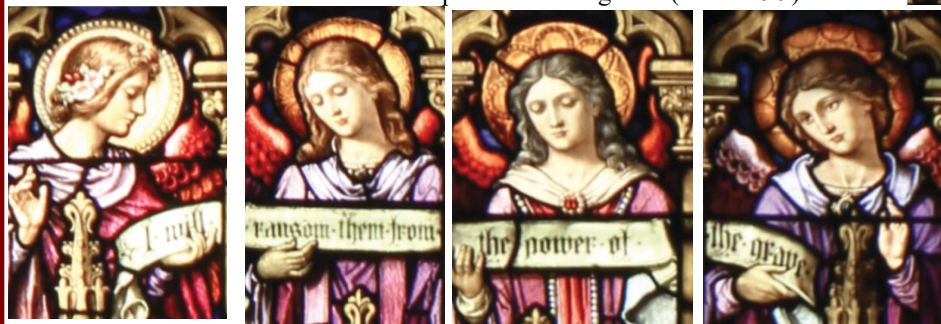
The seal of the Diocese of California. A miter surmounts the Latin motto, *Pacifica et Impera*: Soothe and Guide. Below, a Celtic cross sits on a California landscape while a key (St. Peter's authority) and the bishop's crosier (care for the flock) cross behind it.

Above right:

The figure of St. Paul in the architectural framework, standing across from Moses. He holds his symbols, a book and a sword, in his left hand. His right hand is raised in blessing. St. Paul reinterpreted the significance of the Mosaic Law.

Top small lancets:

Each contains a figure (probably an angel) holding a scroll. One curiosity is the fact that the left-hand figure has an off-white halo (with a beaded edge) in contrast to gold (embellished with elaborate and individual detail) for the other three. Each holds a scroll which together reads: I will// ransom them from// the power of// the grave. (Mark 16:9)



The window is approximately ten feet wide by sixteen feet high. It is recorded as being in place (and new) at the consecration of the church, December 8, 1912.

The name of the artist and installer are not known, despite much diligent research. The

window is in the style of the late 19th and early 20th century. It is extremely fine work and must have been very expensive. It is composed and executed in the style of the Munich School of "painted glass" stained-glass windows. The best supposition is that it is the work of the founder of the Munich School, its master craftsman, Franz Mayer. The text below in large lancets reads:

To the Glory of God and in memory of// Isaac Lawrence Requa// born Nov 23rd AD 1828. Fell on sleep March 29th AD 1905



[Introductory material on the origin of the Requa window is in the March 2022 Good News.]

APRIL WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP AT ST. PAUL'S

Holy Week and Easter celebrations, complete with choral accompaniment, will all be in person this year; reservations will not be required. For the latest schedule and any rules about COVID precautions, please check the church website: <https://www.stpaulsoakland.org/>.

Most services will be live-streamed on the Church's Facebook page. For details go to: <https://www.stpaulsoakland.org/lent--easter-2022.html>.



In-person fellowship events will return at Easter, with a catered brunch after the 10 a.m. service and an Easter egg hunt

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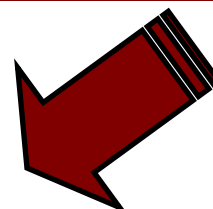
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From the Editors:

Watch for news on these fronts next month!



St. Paul's History

The publication process of *Faith and Mission*, the St. Paul's history, continues. We hope the book will be available in April

Development of a strategic plan for St. Paul's.

St. Paul's was 150 years young in 2021. This is an image of Easter at St. Paul's in 1956.

