

ST. BEDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, LOS ANGELES, CA
THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT
February 28, 2010

Welcome to St. Bede's Church. We're pleased that you have chosen to worship here today. If you are visiting, please sign the guest book or fill out the card in the Visitor's packet, and join the congregation downstairs in the parish hall for refreshments after the service. If you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Episcopal Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. The rest rooms, nursery and classrooms are located downstairs off the parish hall.

Today the liturgy gives us the account of the covenant between God and the first person of faith: Abraham. There are two parts to this covenant -- God's promise and Abraham's faith. Abraham's faith becomes the model for us who have been brought into covenant with God in Baptism.

The Gospel reading today reveals the depth of Christ's commitment to and love for his people. This is the same love and commitment which was first revealed in the covenant with Abraham.

The second reading today is concerned with contrasting those who do not live within the covenant and those who do. It reminds us that the self-denial and fasting of Lent are not ends in themselves and certainly are not meant to imply that pleasure is wrong. They lead us on toward the discovery that true joy and pleasure always come from God and always point us to the transformation of our earthly life and desires which is God's ultimate aim for us.

As we draw nearer to Easter and the renewal of our baptismal commitment, and as we prepare those who will be baptized then, the liturgy of Lent takes us ever deeper into the mystery of our redemption: a redemption which began to be worked out in Abraham's day, was fulfilled in Jesus' dying and rising, and is renewed in us in Baptism and the Eucharist.

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The Very Rev. Canon James Newman is the Rector of St. Bede's Parish & Dean of Deanery 3

The Rev. Vicki Mouradian is the Assistant • The Rev. Giovan King, D. Min. is the Associate

Mr. Frank Basile is the Director of Music

Canon Annette Graw is the President of Deanery 3, Diocese of Los Angeles

Ms. Rea Crane & Ms. Carly Portalupi are the Wardens of this Parish

Lay Canons of the Diocese of Los Angeles: Annette Graw, Edmonde Haddad, Wes Hartley, Ruth Nicastro

- *Nursery care is available downstairs. We also have speakers in the patio should your child wish to go outside*
- *You are invited to receive communion at the Lord's Table.*
- *If you wish a pastoral call, please see a member of the Clergy or the Vestry member on duty.*
- *Items to be included in the bulletin must be at the office by the preceding Tuesday morning.*

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INTERCESSIONS

◆ We pray for the Archbishop of Canterbury; Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Jon, Chester & Sergio, our bishops, for Diane & Mary, our Bishops Suffragan-elect, and James, Vicki & Giovan, our clergy; for Frank-Joaquin-Tom-RoseMarie-Michael & Jeannette, our lay staff & for the clergy & people of St. Andrew's with St. Agnes in Romford, England. We pray for Lauren, Richard and all Missionaries of the Church. We pray for reconciliation in the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church & the Diocese of Los Angeles. In our parish, we pray for those who minister in the committees and institutions of the Deanery & Diocese.

◆ [ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: *The Church of England The Most Revd Rowan Douglas Williams Archbishop of Canterbury;*

◆ DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:
Co n g r e g a t i o n s : St. David's (North Hollywood); O r g a n i z a t i o n s : World Mission Group; C l e r g y : Roland Thorwaldsen, Alfred Smith, Jr., Thomas Clarke, Stephen Y. C. Kim, Sione Halapua, John Noble; W i d o w s : Ada Hammon, Lillian Curtis, Chloean Williams, Elodie Carlton.]

◆ We pray for Barack, our President; Arnold, our Governor; & the mayors of our cities. We pray for peace in the world & remember all those serving their countries at home and abroad, especially those we name ...

◆ We remember the **ill & those in need**: Linda, Dulcie, Michael, Edmonde, Harriet, Fr. John, Elsie, Daniel, Joe, Wes, Peggy, Kim, Frances, Kanan, Peggy, Diana, Steven, David, Kelly, Dan, Eileen, Caleb, Dennis, Max,

◆ We remember those who have **died**: ...

◆ The **Sanctuary lamp** is lighted this week to the glory of God.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

WEDNESDAY -John & Charles Wesley :

Isaiah 49.5-6; Ps. 103.1-4,13-18; Romans 12.11-17; Luke 9.2-6

SUNDAY – Lent 3:

Exodus 3:1-15; Ps. 63.1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

CLERGY SCHEDULE

(available for office appointments or confessions)

Canon Jim

(The Rector is away.)

Mthr. Vicki

S: 1-7 pm; M: 6-9 pm; T: 9 am - Noon; W: 5-9 pm

THIS WEEK AT ST. BEDE'S

DATE	TIME	EVENT
TODAY	8 & 10 am	Holy Eucharist
	9 am	Choir rehearsal
	9.45 am	Nursery & Ch. School
	Noon	Via Media #6
	6 pm	Lenten Evensong (FoM)
Tuesday	9 am	Breakfast & Bible - Young res.
Wednesday	@ St. Bede's Episcopal Church	
	6.30 pm	Soup Dinner
	7 pm	Lenten Evening Prayer
	7.30 pm	Adult Forum: <i>Preparing to hear the Passion</i>
Sunday	8 & 10 am	Holy Eucharist
	<i>(Hosts: 8-???, 10- M. & J. Montgomery & J. Young)</i>	
	9 am	Choir rehearsal
	9.45 am	Nursery & Ch. School
	Noon	Via Media #7
	6 pm	Evening Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The *Lent Quill* and the **March Calendar** are available on line and in the narthex rack.
- Meet the Episcopal Church up close and personal – **Via Media Class** (#6) after the 10 am service.
- St. Joseph Center **food collection** next Sunday.
- **St. Bede's AIDS Ministry**: Mar. 3, 9 am @ St. Mary's; details: Jeannette Young (398-6925).
- **Bookworms of Bede** will discuss:
4/19 - *The Help*, K. Stockett
5/17 - *Home*, M. Robinson

SERVING TODAY

Presiding & Preaching (8): The Rev. Vicki Mouradian

Lay Minister (8): Michael Gallagher

Lector (8): Roger Jayne

Greeter (8): Ron Zullo

Healing Chapel (8): Sharon Arthur

Refreshments (8): Zane & Evlynn Householder

Presiding (10): The Rev. Giovan King

Preaching (10): The Rev. Vicki Mouradian

Music Director (10): Frank Basile

Vocal Section Leaders (10): Anita Van Tellingen; Cynthia Rothschild; Ben Enright; Joe Montgomery

Lay Ministers (10): Angus Mackay, Diane Gandara, Kim Hudson, Peggy Levenstein, Michael Mullins, Ashkan Sobhe, Adelaide Vaughn

Greeters (10): Russ Harter, Penny Jennings

Healing Chapel (10): Peggy Levenstein

Refreshments (10): Shirin Jam & Samira Tamer

Vestry Member on Duty: Mike Mullins

Counters: Joyce Matlack & Dulcie Ellis