

ST. BEDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, LOS ANGELES, CA
THE 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 6, 2009

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.

The Gospel reading today is Jesus' healing of a man who was deaf and mute. This healing, like the others in the Gospel, is for Mark a sign that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus' attempt to prevent the healing's being made known -- and the crowd's amazement at this event -- are characteristic of Mark's Gospel. Mark portrays Jesus as concealing his messiahship (the Messianic Secret), so that it will be revealed in his dying and rising. While this is at least partly Mark's literary device to keep up the reader's interest, it seems that the Lord did indeed seek to keep his followers focused on the final conflict and the triumph of the Resurrection as the full revelation of his true identity.

The Book of Proverbs are part of the wisdom literature in the Hebrew Scriptures. The book includes advice and instructions. The common characteristics of a proverb include (1) brevity, (2) cleverness, (3) memorable form, (4) rootedness in experience, (5) universal truth, (6) practical aim, and (7) long use.

The second lesson is again drawn from the small Letter of James, an intensely practical discourse on Christian living. In today's reading, James exhorts us to treat all persons equally, not making distinctions, and to see to it that our actions express our faith. Good works cannot exist without faith, and faith without good works is empty.

The people of God gather, week by week, to meet Christ, dying and rising in our midst. His presence is revealed in our liturgical gatherings in Word and Sacrament, and in us, as members of his Body, by our daily lives of ministry to others in concrete acts of love and caring.

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The Rt. Rev. J. Jon Bruno is the Bishop of Los Angeles

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

The Rev. Vicki Mouradian is the Curate • Associated clergy: The Revs. Giles Asbury & John Hancock

Mr. Frank Basile is the Director of Music

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

Mr. Reed Wilson & Mr. Michael Mullins 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 Rowan, Archbishop of Canterbury; Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Jon, Chester & Sergio, our bishops, and James, our Dean & Rector, for Vicki, our Curate; 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 the wardens, vestry officers & members, and the members of parish committees.

◆ [ANGLICAN CYCLE: Diocese of South Kerala, the Most Revd John Wilson Gladstone, Bishop & Moderator, Church of South India;

◆ DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: *Schools: St. Paul's Day School (Ventura), A Child's Garden School/Church of Our Saviour (San Gabriel), St. James' Parish School (South Pasadena), St. George's Academy (Laguna Hills), St. Stephen's Nursery School (Santa Clarita), St. Andrew's School (Irvine), St. Mark's Day School (Glendale); Clergy: Lizette Larson-Miller, Albertine Rouse, Patricia Hendrickson; Margaret Bradley; Widows: Marilyn Eales.]*

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

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

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

◆ The **flowers** are given to the glory of God and in honor of her daughter's & son-in-law's birthday by Rea Crane.

◆ The **Sanctuary lamp** is lighted this week to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the life of Edward Moore Kennedy by James Newman ...

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

WEDNESDAY - Constance & Her Companions:

2 Corinthians 1.3-5; Ps. 116.1-8; John 12.24-28

SUNDAY – Pentecost 15/Proper 19:

Proverbs 1.20-33; Ps. 19; James 3.1-12; Mark 8.27-38

CLERGY SCHEDULE

(available for office appointments or confessions)

Canon Jim

The Rector will be out of town returning on Weds., 9/16.

Mthr. Vicki

T: 9 am - Noon; W: 3-9 pm

THIS WEEK AT ST. BEDE'S

DATE	TIME	EVENT
TODAY	6 pm	Evening Prayer
Monday		LABOR DAY - Office Closed
Tuesday	9 am	Breakfast & Bible
Wednesday	Noon	St. John's Guild Lunch & Meeting
	7 pm	Holy Eucharist
	7.30 pm	Forum: Horizons of Mission
Sunday	8 & 10 am	Holy Eucharist
		[refreshments: 8: Vestry; 10: Vestry w/ Danny & Lee]
	9 am	Choir rehearsal
	9.45 am	Nursery
	6 pm	Evening Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The *Pentecost Quill* & **September Calendar** are available on line and in the narthex rack.
- The Labor Day weekend picnic (@ Holy Nativity) will **NOT** be held this year
- Deadline for the **Homecoming Quill** is TODAY.
- The **Refreshment sign-up lists** is needs hosts after: 9/13 (8 a.m.) and 9/13 (10 a.m.).
- **St. Joseph Center** food collection TODAY.
- **The Bishop** will be here for our Homecoming Sunday on Sept. 27. Any persons wishing to be **confirmed, received or who wish to re-affirm their vows**, please talk to Rector by September 6.
- **Bookworms of Bede** will discuss:
9/21- *A Morbid Taste for Bones (Brother Cadfael)*, E. Peters
10/19- *The Poisonwood Bible*, Barbara Kingsolver
11/16- *Nickle and Dimed*, Barbara Ehrenreich

SERVING TODAY

Vestry Member on Duty: Akani Fletcher

Counters: Samira Tamer & Ruben Scott

Presiding (8): The Rev. Vicki Mouradian
Preaching (8): The Rev. Canon Jim Newman
Lay Assistant (8): Michael Gallagher
Lector (8): Kathy Fairchild
Greeter (8): Kathy Fairchild
Healing Chapel (8): Gina Turella
Refreshments (8): Shirley Hutson

Presiding & Preaching (10): The Rev. Canon Jim Newman
Assisting (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): Akani Fletcher, Sharon Arthur, Christoph Dugré, Janet Fox, Phyllis Morrison, Reed Wilson
Greeters (10): James Raef, Reed Wilson
Healing Chapel (10): Ina Klem
Refreshments (10): Michael Mullins

