



ST. ANDREW'S NEWS

Dear friends in Christ,

This summer, June 28-July 3, The Episcopal Church will hold its 78th Triennial Convention in Salt Lake City. Since its organization in Philadelphia in 1789, when the American church could no longer be served by English bishops, The Episcopal Church has endeavored to hold true to "episcopal" church governance in a country with very "republican" values. The Triennial Convention, in which a House of Bishops and House of Deputies make decisions in tandem, is our unique way of blending a hierarchical church polity with democratic values. As Episcopalians we hold that we are Christ's Church in the world, guided by the Holy Spirit. Our bishops, whom we believe to be the successors of the apostles, exercise leadership and authority in their particular dioceses, working in partnership with laity and clergy. In matters that affect the entire Church, leadership and authority is expressed similarly, with all bishops and representative laity and clergy meeting every three years in convention. At these conventions matters of concern to the whole church are discussed and decided, under the guidance of the Spirit. At this year's convention a new spiritual leader, the Presiding Bishop, will be elected. Among other matters of importance, the Convention will also consider recommendations made by TREC (the Task Force for Reimagining the Episcopal Church) to reorganize our church to better meet the missional needs of our time.

Our Triennial Convention has not been without controversy in the past. Issues such as Civil Rights, the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, the ordination of women to Holy Orders, and the place of the LGBT faithful in the church have all been addressed by Convention in our lifetime. And for each one of these issues there have been those among the faithful who could not abide by the decisions of the Convention. However, trusting in the great power of God's transformative love through the Holy Spirit, The Episcopal Church continues to confront the challenges of living the Gospel in every age.

Calendar at a Glance

May 3 Youth Group 11:30am
May 7 Children's Clinic
May 10 Mother's Day
May 17 Vestry 11:45am
May 24 Pentecost
May 18 ECW 11:00am at Ferreira's home
May 29 Preschool Graduation 6:30pm
June 4 Children's Clinic
June 15 ECW luncheon 12:00
June 21 Vestry 11:45am

On-going

Tuesdays: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist 6:30pm. Adult Spiritual Formation 7:15pm
Wednesdays: Men's Group, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico 8:00am
Thursdays: Holy Eucharist and Bible Study 10:00am
2nd & 4th Saturdays: Casa Blanca Chapel in Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita 10:00am

Along with Jim and Vicki, I will be in attendance, and this will be my first time. Though, I am very eager to see the Spirit at work through this democratic process in our Church, I am also excited to witness the honoring of Sigird Maitrejean as Diocesan Distinguished Woman by the national ECW.



As we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, let us keep all the bishops, clergy, and lay leaders in our thoughts and prayers as they respond to the loving guidance of the Spirit in Convention this summer.

Peace
Ernie+

Yard sale nets over \$2,000 for Outreach



The 5th Annual Yard Sale, held on April 24 and 25, was chaired this year by Rodger Babnew. Items have been accumulating since the last sale as parishioners moved and sorted. People dropped off their donations during the week of the sale so that by Thursday there was a monumental job of sorting and pricing. On Friday the early buyers were at the door at 7:15. The first wave of buyers purchased a vast array of items, but the inventory persisted, even beyond the closing bell. Shirley Gibb and Sigrid Maitrejean staffed the check-out tables throughout the sale. The profits from the Yard Sale will be used for outreach to the community.

Photos of the unpacking, sorting & pricing on Thursday.



Vestry sets goal for year

Following the annual meeting when everyone had worked in small groups to set areas of focus for the Church for the coming the year, the Vestry met in their annual retreat to develop specific actions to accomplish those goals. The five areas of focus set at the annual meeting were 1. Outreach, 2. Capital Needs, 3. Worship, 4. Developing Leadership Ministries, and 5. Parish Community.

The following outline lists the action steps that will guide us as we work on those areas of focus.

1. *Outreach* - How we are the face of Christ outside our doors.
 - a) Develop more focus in our outreach initiatives - aligned with Mission and Vision
 - b) Research use of kitchen as possible new major outreach - Jean Ross, Sigrid Maitrejean
 - c) Strengthen the relationship with the preschool through development of MOU - Fr. Ernie, Steve Ferreira, Sigrid Maitrejean, Sally Lockwood
2. *Capital Needs* - How we provide a place of shared faith and a warm accepting church family of all ages, living out Christ's ministry.

Prepare for a Capital Campaign by

- a) assessing capital needs
 - b) engaging parish and community partners in dialogue about capital needs and development
3. *Worship* - How we are the face of Christ within our walls.
 - a) Continue goals from 2014 - innovative and inclusive worship,
 - b) Add lesson in Spanish at 10:00 Sunday services
 4. *Developing Ministries* - How we are the face of Christ within our walls and beyond our doors.
 - a) Regularly inform congregation about the work of the church's ministries
 - b) Begin an "apprenticeship" program to bring in new leadership
 5. *Parish Community* - How we provide a place of shared faith and a warm accepting church family of all ages, living out Christ's ministry.

Goal: "Deepen parishioner relationships and facilitate the incorporation of newcomers"

- a) The Vestry will make the coffee hour more inclusive and interactive by mixing the seating arrangements.
- b) The Vestry will schedule a theme movie and conversation night. The first event will be led by Fr. Patrick Maitrejean.
- c) The Vestry will schedule an outdoor family get together at a local location.

The mission of St. Andrew's Nogales is to provide a place of shared faith and a warm accepting church family of all ages, living out Christ's ministry.

Our Vision: St. Andrew's strives to be the face of Christ within our walls and beyond our doors.

Altar Guild needs volunteers

There are openings on the Altar Guild. If you are interested in helping to prepare the Sanctuary for worship, to maintain and to care for the sacred vessels and altar linens after some, but not all, services, contact Sigrid Maitrejean, our Altar Guild director. She will explain the duties and train you for this ministry.

St. Andrew's Endowment Fund

—Louis Clapper, Board Chairman

Thank you to the people who donated money to the Endowment Fund. Remember, it doesn't have to be a large amount. Small amounts do add up.

What happens to the money that goes into the plate?

St. Andrew's folks are very generous, sharing their time, talent, and treasure in many ways. The Sunday collection plate, a staple of Christian worship, is one way in which we show our gratitude for God's many blessings. So, what happens to that money?

First, it is brought to the altar during the Offertory, and along with the gifts of bread and wine, is blessed and offered for God's Glory. At the end of the service our dedicated "counters" gather all the funds, count it, categorize it, and prepare it for deposit. Those funds that are clearly labeled as fulfillment towards an annual pledge are duly recorded. As to the monies that are not specifically designated,

On the first, second, and fourth Sundays all **loose one dollar bills** go towards our "Sunday Dollars" program. This money is used for small capital expenses, at the direction of the Vestry. Over the last several years this money has helped "fill in the holes" when repairs exceeded budget.

On the third Sunday of the month, all **"loose plate"** offerings - that is any monies collected that are not obviously towards pledge fulfillment - go to the **"Clergy Discretionary Fund,"** to be split evenly between Deacon Jim Fitzsimmons and Fr. Ernie Galaz. The canons of The Episcopal Church direct "The Alms and Contributions, not otherwise specifically designated...and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Rector ...to be applied to such pious and charitable uses as the Rector or Priest-in-Charge shall determine." At St. Andrew's this money is used for charity and outreach. It cannot be used for the clergy's personal needs nor can it be used for things that would normally be funded by the Vestry. Throughout the year, parishioners also contribute to the Clergy Discretionary Fund when they feel so moved.

From time to time, the Rector will call for a special collection, often on fifth Sundays of the month. On these Sundays all **"loose plate"** offerings to go to a specific need, such as relief for a disaster-stricken area, or to Christian organizations that help the under-served, such as the United Thank Offering, administered by the national Episcopal Church Women.

If you would like to contribute to the "Sunday Dollars," Clergy Discretionary Fund, or any other church endeavor, you can do so anytime. Just clearly mark your check or envelope with the intended purpose of the funds.

St. Andrew's Children's Clinic

—Vicki Fitzsimmons



As usual, the April Children's Clinic had lots of patients. If you haven't been to the Clinic, please schedule a tour by calling the Clinic office: 648-3242.

We have two special events to report this month. Saturday, April 25, Vicki and Jim Fitzsimmons were awarded the DAR Community Services Award for their work at St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. Betty Thayer, vice-regent of the Madera Chapter presented the award and asked both Vicki and Jim to describe the work they do at the Clinic.



Sunday, April 26, Vicki Fitzsimmons with Roy Smith and Lorna Larsen of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church were joined by Vicki's voice teacher, Leslie Lundquist in their annual recital. They raised \$2,500 to benefit patients in the Augmentative/Alternative Communication Department of St. Andrew's Children's Clinic. These are patients who can't sing or speak without a special communication device. Thanks to everyone who participated.



Pictured from left: Lorna Larsen, Leslie Lundquist, Vicki Fitzsimmons, Roy Smith.

Preschool News

—Cynthia Bustamante, Director

Many exciting events will be happening at the preschool as the end of the year approaches. Preschool graduation with the spring program is scheduled for May 29, 2015, at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We will be welcoming community professionals into the preschool to come and demonstrate to the children what their profession is all about. If anyone is interested in being a guest speaker, please feel free to contact Teacher Maria at 281-0133 to set up a date.

Registrations for the 2015-2016 school year will begin on May 15, 2015. If there are any interested parishioners who have preschool age children, there is a discounted rate available to them.

The center is now in the last step of the Quality First assessment process to obtain a three star rating. After a final inspection, which will be held in the month of May, we should have the results before the end of June. The additional star rating will bring with it more funds for scholarships and preschool materials.

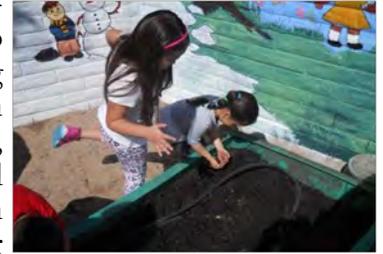
Once again the staff of St. Andrew's Preschool would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to come read or volunteer at the center. We would also like to thank everyone for their continual support. Please feel free visit to get a firsthand experience of what the preschool is all about.

Emerging outreach at St. Andrew's

Several months ago parishioners came forward wanting to explore the idea of doing a food ministry using our kitchen. Our commercial kitchen is a very valuable and under-utilized resource. Other than the monthly Clinic and a couple hours on Sunday, it sits undisturbed for the rest of the month. Fr. Ernie and the Vestry gave Jean Ross and her group the go-ahead to gather information and assess community need and interest. In the next several months she and her committee will be meeting with community leaders to get their input as to what the needs of Nogales are and how St. Andrew's might be part of a plan to address those needs. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Preschool students learn gardening

Last spring the preschool was awarded a grant by the Santa Cruz Community Foundation to create a garden project on the preschool grounds. The project has been completed with help from the Rio Rico High School agriculture students, who installed the watering system, Nogales High School art students, who painted a mural on the fence, and John Rogers, Lou Clapper and Richard DeLong, who put the garden beds together.



Once the watering system and garden beds were installed, the children started the planting process. They first released red wiggler worms into the soil with the help of Shirley Gibb, and then Sara Cobb helped the children

plant the various plants which include onions, tomatoes, strawberries, squash, lettuce, peppers and herbs. The children are responsible for watering and maintaining the beds. Soon we hope to have some fruits and vegetables for the children to take home.



Everyone is cordially invited to come and take a look at this great project.



Hot days of summer are a great time for reading

We are coming to that time of year when, in southern Arizona, it is too hot to be outside mid-day. That is a great time to treat yourself to an hour or two of reading.

Are you using the church library? We have copies of the books that the study groups have been discussing the last few years. If you have not attended those groups but would like to read some thought-provoking books, those books might be a good choice. There are parishioners who would love to discuss the books with you. We also have fiction, books on meditation, spirituality, church history and theology.

The church library is found in the book cases on the northwest side of St. Mary's Hall. To check out a book, simply write your name on the next available line on the clipboard sign out sheet and cross out your name when you return the book. Librarians Christine Courtland and Sally Lockwood will re-shelve your books so that we can keep some order to the collection. We look forward to serving you.



Tubac on Thursdays

A small but faithful group of north Santa Cruz County parishioners has been meeting regularly for Eucharist and Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 10:00. What began as worship and bible study at St. Andrew's during Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter has become a regular gathering in parishioners' homes when it was discovered that all the participants lived in Tubac or Green Valley. During the last several months we have been studying the Gospel of Mark. The group will take a short break in May, but will begin again in June and will focus on the Acts of the Apostles and Paul's first Epistles. Come join this dedicated group of spiritual seekers. Please contact Fr. Ernie for more information.

Nothing to say

Martha Zybko – Senior Warden
To loosely quote from George Elliot:



“Blessed is the woman who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving us wordy evidence of the fact – from calling on us to look through a heap of millet-seed in order to be sure that there is no pearl in it.”

I have no pearls. I'm glad others have.

March Financial Report

—Kate Endersbe, Treasurer

<i>INCOME</i>		<i>EXPENSES</i>	
Plate Offerings	\$205.28	Fund Raisers	\$40.04
Building Use Donations	\$1,150.00	Loan Payment	\$455.60
Fund Raisers	\$41.00	Salaries & Benefits	\$10,185.74
Pledge Support	\$12,899.37	Outreach Expense	\$3,859.53
Investment Support	\$3.56	Music & Worship	\$295.56
Week Offerings Not Pledged	\$626.00	Education Expense	\$46.29
Contributions	\$638.92	Administration	\$2,179.17
Altar Guild	\$555.00	Premises Expenses	\$1,618.58
Outreach	\$184.75		
Total Income	\$16,303.88	Total Expenses	\$18,680.51

Buy coffee to help our neighbors

—Sally Lockwood

Tucked in the corner of St. Mary's Hall is a little shop selling Café Justo coffee. The cost is just \$10 a pound for freshly roasted, organic, shade-grown coffee. We and many other churches and organizations sell the coffee from this Mexican cooperative to support the workers and help to provide a living wage for them, their families and their communities.

At St. Andrew's the ECW sponsors this outreach. We will sell you coffee whenever you need it after each of the church services. After the 8:00 o'clock service, Karin Rodes and Richard DeLong can sell you coffee. After the 10 o'clock service, if the door is locked, ask any of the women listed on the paper on the door to sell you a pound or two.

We will order coffee for you if you have special needs, such as extra amounts for gifts, special grinds or just to ensure that we have your preferences when you are ready to buy. You can even order five pound bags for big events at a considerable savings.

We have both beans and ground coffee in regular and dark roasts. We have Arabica, a smoother coffee, and Robusto, a more robust, higher caffeine coffee and Decaffeinated.

We make only a little profit from the sales and from that we provide coffee and supplies for the coffee hours at church.

Help our church and the members of the Café Justo cooperative members by buying your coffee from us.



How to provide altar flowers

We all admire the glorious flowers that grace the altar each Sunday. They are purchased by generous people who contribute to the flower fund or who wish to acknowledge special dates or people with their gift.

To contribute the usual donation of \$35 to the flower fund write a check to St. Andrew's with Flower Fund in the memo line. Also write your name on the Flower Sheet on the bulletin board in St. Mary's Hall designating the Sunday you want your flowers to be on the altar.

Birthdays



May	June
1 Edith Lowell	7 Karen Sykes
2 Karl Friedmann	11 George Gillespie
4 Marcia Clark	12 Carrie Pottinger
6 Mary Helen Maynard	20 Mary Messick
13 Polly Hyde	21 Sam Luchessi
20 Barbara Blake	22 Lawrence Jones
25 Jack Boggess	23 Illisa Tadeo
25 Houston Cobb	26 Maureen Friedmann
26 Katie Tadeo	

Accepting the Unacceptable

—Barbara Laupmanis

Accepting the unacceptable, so much easier said than done, but it is not impossible. We have all been faced with devastating, life changing events such as the loss of a loved one, a divorce, bankruptcy, substance or physical abuse, incurable health problems. There are many, many things we face each and every day. We cannot face these issues alone, and, thank heaven, we don't have to.

It takes faith. A seed of faith, as referenced in the Bible. A mustard seed, an extremely small seed, but once planted becomes a tree, a tree which provides branches and shelter where birds may take refuge. Let the seed of faith grow within. Faith can move mountains and provide refuge. Take refuge from the burdens that are part of life. Take refuge from the pain of loss or illness.

Each day allow that small seed to take root within our hearts and minds. It is during this journey that our faith takes root and grows. We can then find the strength to accept the unacceptable. Our strength grows with the acknowledgement that we are not alone; God is by our side, holding us up when we are too weak to

ROTA or (Schedule of Service Participants)

Date	8:00 Lay Reader	8:00 Healing Team	10:00 Chalice Bearer	10:00 Lay Reader	10:00 Healing Team
May 3	R. Brown	L. Clapper	J. Moehlman	J. Ross	Sara Cobb
May 10	K. Rodes	K. Rodes	D. Moehlman	K. Endersbe	Rev. J. Lee
May 17	L. Clapper	L. Clapper	S. Maitrejean	P. Parkinson	S. Ferreira
May 24	R. Delong	L. Clapper	R. Babnew	C. Black	D. Moehlman
May 31	T. Brown	L. Clapper	J. Moehlman	A. Jehle	P. Ferreira
June 7	R. Brown	K. Rodes	D. Moehlman	E. Campbell	Rev. J. Lee
June 14	K. Rodes	K. Rodes	S Maitrejean	M. Hedges	S. Ferreira
June 21	L. Clapper	L. Clapper	R. Babnew	D. Moehlman	D. Moehlman
June 28	R. Delong	L. Clapper	J. Moehlman	J. Lee	P. Ferreira

Date	Coffee Hour Hosts	Flowers	Counters
May 3	Brian & Lindsey Young		Ken Briggs
May 10	Men's Group	Anne Jehle	Jack & Jean Ross
May 17	Jack & Jean Ross		Louis Clapper
May 24	Kate Hutson & Polly Hyde	Carolyn Black	Karen Sykes
May 31	Carolyn Black & Pattie Oliver	Sharon & Art Whipple	Suzette Smith
June 7	Vicki & Jim Fitzsimmons	Marilyn Hedges for Gladys & Stuart Ranicar	Ken Briggs
June 14	G. Lockwood, P. Ferreira, L. Larson, D. Thornhill	Jim & Sally Lockwood	Jack & Jean Ross
June 21	ECW	Megan Phaneuf and Ed Luchessi	Louis Clapper
June 28	A. Lee, M. Zybko, S. Cobb		Karen Sykes

Note: The Casa Blanca Chapel meets in the Community Room in the Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita at 10:00am on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

Readers at Casa Blanca Chapel

May 9	Karol Koon
May 23	Dorothy Sturges
June 13	Helga & Jack Boggess
June 27	Karol Koon

Coffee Hour Notes

—Vicki Fitzsimmons

If you plan to use the dishwasher, remember to turn on the dishwasher heater before the 10:00 service so the water will be heated by the end of coffee hour. (Toggle switch on bottom of front panel.)

Noticias Breves en español

3 de mayo-Grupo de jóvenes 11:00am

7 de mayo-Clínica para Niños de San Andrés-todo el día

10 de mayo-Día de la Madre

17 de mayo-Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva) a las 11:45

18 de mayo-Grupo de Mujeres (ECW) en la casa de Patty Ferreria a las 11:00

24 de mayo-Pentecostés

29 de mayo-Graduación de la Pre-escolar San Andrés a las 6:30

4 de junio-Clínica para Niños de San Andrés-todo el día

15 de junio-Grupo de Mujeres (ECW) almuerzo in un restaurán a las 12:00 (todavía no seleccionado)

21 de junio-Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva) a las 11:45

Que continua

Miércoles: Grupo de hombres, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico, 8:00am

Martes: Vespertina y Santa Eucaristía 6:30pm

Segundo y cuarto sábado del mes: Capilla Casa Blanca, en el edificio del condado de Santa Cruz, Sonoita, 10:00am



Coordinators of Lay Ministries

Contact the coordinator if you are assigned, are unable to complete the responsibility and can find no substitute. If you are trading dates with someone, please call the church office so that the bulletin can be printed correctly.

Lay Readers/Chalice Bearers: Jim Fitzsimmons (520-625-4341).

Healing Team: Sara Cobb (520-394-2721).

Counters: Jim Lee (602-318-5992).

Coffee Hour: Vicki Fitzsimmons (520-625-4341).

Ushers: Kate Hutson (520-377-0770).

Newsletter and Internet Submissions

Newsletter and internet submissions are encouraged. Your material can be published in our print newsletter and digitally on Facebook or our website. Photos of church activities are always welcome.

The next newsletter deadline is June 22. Please submit your articles as Word documents, if possible. Email your submissions to editor Sally Lockwood at slockwood584@gmail.com and to the church office at standrews@standrewsaz.com.

How to donate food for our Food Banks

In the narthex of the church, just to the right of the front door, there is a collection basket for food to be donated to the food banks here in Nogales. When the basket is filled, someone will deliver it. This is another way that you can help to care for our neighbors.

Church Office Hours and Emergency Contacts

Office Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00-12:00pm

Fr. Ernie's hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00-1:00; Wednesdays 9:00-4:00 & by appointment.

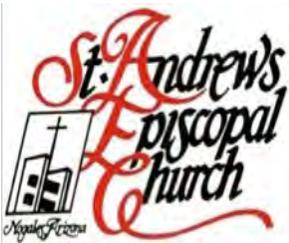
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