



THE MESSENGER



OF ST. PETER'S PARISH, OAKLAND, CA
November, 2018

The Rev. Michael Mautner, Rector

St. Peter's Calendar

- ❖ November 5, 12, & 26 Kiwanis Club meets for lunch in St. Peter's Social Hall.
- ❖ November 1 12:15 pm All Saints Mass
- ❖ November 2 10:30 am All Souls Mass
- ❖ November 18 Vestry Meeting following 10:00 a.m. Mass
- ❖ November 22 10:00 am Thanksgiving Day Mass

Where Are They Now?

Two of our Deacons have moved away from California, but they are still serving Christ's Church and both remember St. Peter's fondly as we remember them. Here are reports on where they are and what they are doing now.

Dcn. Peter Towle

(Dcn. Peter Towle sent us a report about his and Emily's move to South Carolina.)

Our townhome is in the city of Charleston and is situated just a half mile from St. Timothy's Anglican Catholic Church where I have been serving as parish deacon since leaving St. Peter's in May of 2015. I also "supply" at Our Saviour Anglican Catholic Church in Florence, South Carolina, about 125 miles north of Charleston once a month when I provide a Deacon Liturgy (Mass) with homily/sermon.

Emily and I are active in Pro Life activities as I was inducted into the "Order of Holy Innocents" that requires commitment to praying for the unborn babies and preaching about the same. We also pray at the 40 Days for Life vigils during their Fall and Lenten Campaigns in front of Planned Parenthood (Charleston's ONLY abortion clinic).

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Dcn. Michael Ruffino

Susan and Michael have moved to Fountain, Colorado, near Colorado Springs. They had their first snow storm in mid-October. It was a light one, but there have been more since and the temperatures now regularly drop below freezing at night. Not the greatest weather for a California couple!

Michael is filling the place left by Father Howard Hillman, who has moved to Michigan, and joins Fr. Richard Andrews (All Saints, Cheyenne, WY), Fr. Dan Canda (St. James, Fort Collins, CO), and Fr. George Parrish (St. Patrick's, Westcliffe, CO). Although regularly assigned to St. Patrick's, Michael has conducted Deacon's liturgies, morning Prayer, and Bible studies at All Saints and St. James.

He also meets periodically in a house church serving the communities in and around Colorado Springs, the Church of the Transfiguration Anglican Mission.

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Dcn. Towle vested in Dalmatic and biretta for Christmas Midnight Mass.



St. Timothy's Anglican Catholic Church

Our leisure time includes beach time at Folly Beach and Isle of Palms. We also frequent the lovely gardens and plantations just up from us on Ashley River Road, which is the oldest and most historic road in the state. We still love to cruise to Bermuda and the Caribbean. We also attend the symphony, concerts in local churches, etc.

And with all this we love spending many quiet hours on our balcony for Morning Prayer and coffee, Evening Prayer, and watching sunrises and sunsets along with the recurring summer thunderstorms.

Speaking of weather we have weathered a "Thousand Years Storm" where we received about 28 inches of rain in about 48 hours in October, 2015, as well as Hurricane Matthew in 2016, Hurricane Irma in 2017, the near miss of Hurricane Florence in 2018 and finally the near miss of Hurricane Michael in October, 2018. In all of these weather "events" we have not sustained ANY flooding nor any real damage from any of them! Thanks be to God!

As I close, while we love living here in the South Carolina "Low Country", we will always miss y'all at St. Peter's and the many wonderful memories of the good times, along with the challenging times that gave many proofs to the depth and authenticity of your Christian witness in living the Gospel!

Yours in Christ,

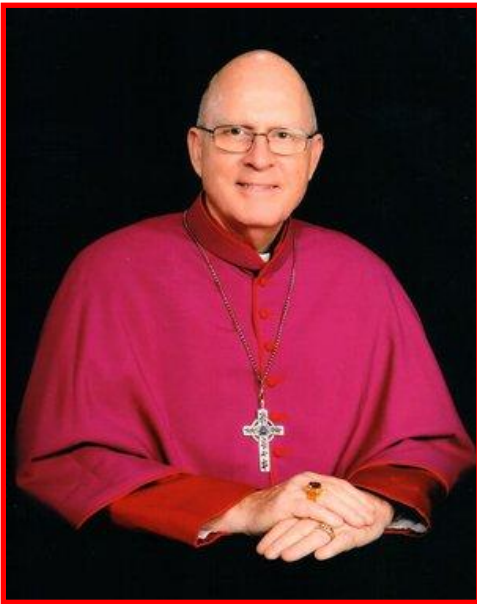
Deacon Pete, Emily and sons Ω

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We are glad to learn that Michael is receiving treatment through the VA for the lack of cartilage in his left knee that was bothering him before he moved to Colorado. And he asked that we pass on to the ladies of the ACW that the trims on his stoles are holding up fine. Michael reports that, "Another deacon (Roman Catholic) wanted to borrow my stoles so he could get the same thing. I let him look and told him if he wanted some specifically for him he would have to contact his own Women's guild. But I get compliments everywhere I wear them. I also tell them where to get help with them, but it seems like everyone loves them, and I can not be more grateful to the women at St. Peter's for the lovely gift." Ω

Learn About the History of Our Church

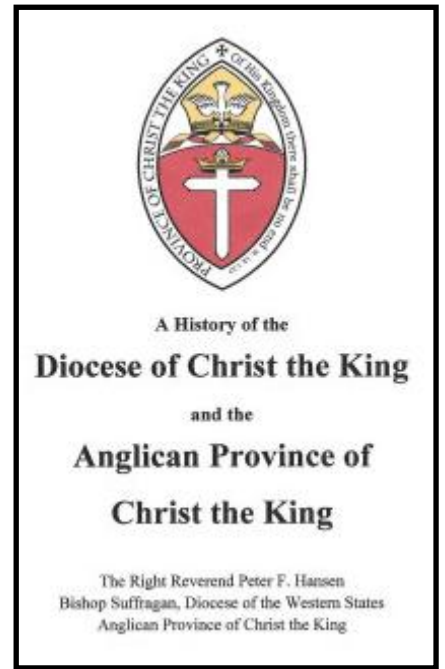


The Rt. Rev. Peter Falconer Hansen, our Diocesan Suffragan Bishop, has written *A History of the Diocese of Christ the King and the Anglican Province of Christ the King*. It has just been published by the American Church Union, the official publishing house of the Province.

In this compelling, concise, and insightful history, Bishop Hansen tells the story of the Anglican Province of Christ

the King, led by the inspirational Archbishop Robert Sherwood Morse. He describes the dramatic events leading to the St. Louis Congress (1977) and the Denver consecrations (1978), as faithful Anglicans sought to ensure historic Christian faith and practice. Bishop Hansen recounts the growth of the Diocese and the national Province to become the leading voice for traditional Anglicans in America today. In conclusion, he considers the future of the APCK.

Available through the ACU: <https://americanchurchunion.com/> Ω



Kiwanis Club of Oakland

The Kiwanis Club of Oakland met October 29th at St. Peter's for their regular Monday lunch meeting.



Gail Wallace from the League of Women Voters, as the main program speaker, gave a very informative presentation on the pros and cons of ballot measures in the November 6th election and responded to some lively questioning during the presentation.



In addition to the program speaker and the regular agenda of greeting and sharing, the club President reported on High School Key Club projects and updates and on Kiwanis service projects.

A successful project for October was collecting bed sheets for the East Oakland Community Shelter. The November Service Project is Thanksgiving dinner at Lake Merit church and Christmas Caroling is on the calendar for December 15th. Ω

Regular Weekly Services

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist, Sermon & Church School
Wednesday: 12:15 p.m. Holy Communion
7:00-8:00 p.m. Scripture Class

Confessions by appointment.

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Clerk (Non-vestry): Patsy Ronat

WELCOME: We welcome single people as well as families and children to Saint Peter's. Nursery is provided for babies through age two. Church School instruction is provided for age three through twelve. Teens are welcome to help out as volunteers in the Nursery or in the Sunday School. For more information, please pick up a brochure in the narthex or contact the Church School Superintendent, Eliza Kirkpatrick at elizakirkpatrick@gmail.com.

The Messenger may be viewed online at the St. Peter's web site:

<http://www.saintpetersoakland.com/>