



TRINITY TALK

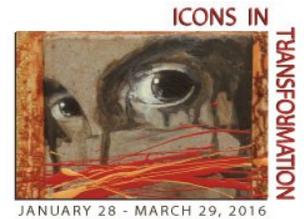
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ANNUAL MEETING



On Sunday January 31st we will begin our morning by having one service at 9:00am. Following the service, we will convene to the Parish Hall for a continental brunch and our Annual Meeting. At the Annual Meeting we learn about the state of the Parish, elect new vestry members and delegates to the 2016 Diocesan Convention. There will be childcare provided for the younger children, and activities for the youth in the Classrooms. Please try to attend this vital meeting.



During the morning you will receive reports or hear from:

- Rector's Report—State of the Parish, The Rev. Jeannie Martz
- Associate Rector's Report—The Rev. Annie Calhoun
- Treasurer's Report, Jack Reynolds
- Vestry Report, Bruce White, 2015 Senior Warden
- Altar Guild, Betsy Warren
- Christian Education, Suzanne Bilodeau & Heather Anderson
- Kitchen Guild, Lisa Jewett
- Music Ministry, David Ripley
- Outreach, Connie Donaldson and Pat Kress
- Property Commission, Doug Knarr
- S.A.S., Harriet Friis
- Welcome Commission, Laurie Weidner

Understanding a few traditional icon meanings:

The icon, to those who could not read, is what scripture means to the learned.

Colors in icon art are very important. Gold symbolizes the glory of heaven, the divine light, the permanence of God.

White and gold are Jesus' colors especially when shown as a baby. When he is shown as an adult, he often wears a red robe covered with a blue cloak. Red is the symbol of life, the life that Christ gave to humanity through the shedding of blood.

Mary's clothes are blue in her robes covered with a red cloak.

Green is a sign of energy, youth and life.

The hands and fingers and their gestures have deep, symbolic meaning. They are either in blessing, praying or pointing to God.

The faces of icons are not ordinary portraits but depict divine presence in all humans. Heads are never painted in profile since the word of God has to be received face to face. If one is in profile that person is a blasphemer. A three quarter profile is acceptable however.

All sacred and venerated personages are represented with a golden or colored halo around their heads.

The ear hole and lobe are always shown uncovered to show the figure is listening.

The neck is always visible with a line indicating the Adam's apple. A ribbon around the neck shows that person depicted is an angel.

A blue segment with gold specks or stars in the icon's upper portion indicates a heavenly orb.

From our Rector

.....The Rev. Jeannie Martz

Through the years I've learned that some things can't be said too many times. With this in mind, I want to remind everyone that while the "Icons in Transformation" exhibition is at Trinity, **THINGS AT CHURCH WILL LOOK AND FEEL DIFFERENT**. Not necessarily better or worse, but **DIFFERENT**.

DIFFERENT how? Well, the artwork will be displayed in both the nave and the Youth Center and we need to make room for it. In just a couple of weeks, everything – and I mean **everything** – will be removed from the main part of the Youth Center and put into storage, and the Youth Group will be making other arrangements for its meetings during this time. (Rev. Annie will be providing our young people and their families with the specific details.)

The nave will be partially emptied as well. **SOME** pews will go into storage and others – maybe all the others, maybe not – will be moved around to accommodate hanging panels and large free-standing pieces of art. (Pews will be moved, pews will be gone. Pews will be moved, pews will be gone. Pews will be moved, pews will be gone.) (Did I mention that pews will be moved and perhaps gone?)

We might move the main altar; we might empty the chapel. We won't know exactly how the remaining furniture will be arranged until the artist and her husband are with us later this month. All of us, even the clergy and altar servers, need to be prepared to find that we can't sit where we're used to sitting on Sunday mornings!

In return for what might seem to be a disruption in our normal worship environment, we will be receiving a tremendous gift: we will be spending Lent 2016 surrounded by spiritually powerful and evocative pieces of art, art that will shape our Lenten journey. We will also be welcoming many outside groups onto our campus as they come to enjoy docent-led tours of the exhibition. We will have the opportunity to see ourselves not only through the eyes of the icons, but also through the eyes of our visitors – perhaps in a whole new way.

And there's something else that might happen: when Anne Warburton and I went up to the "Icons" opening at All Saints, Riverside (where it is right now), I was speaking with one of their Organizing Committee members who said, "Now that the nave's all moved around and the artwork is hung, we've suddenly realized that the time will come when we won't have the icons with us any more. We already know that we're going to miss them!" We may find ourselves sharing the awareness of this reality: we may well fall in love with the power of these icons; we too may realize that we'll miss them profoundly when they're gone.

In the meantime, yes - the campus will be disrupted, there will be a storage container in the parking lot, the Youth Group will be inconvenienced, some of us will find that "our" pew is either moved or gone – and yet, in the midst of disruption and **DIFFERENCE**, we will be blessed with the opportunity for transformation; we will be blessed with the

opportunity to worship, to walk the way of the Cross, and to experience resurrection on Easter Sunday morning in the company of "Icons in Transformation."

There are still plenty of ways to share in the ministry of this exhibition – from providing a meal or transportation for Mila, the artist, and her husband Jan, to being trained as a docent, to helping underwrite the costs associated with the icons by providing or facilitating a corporate or an individual sponsorship. To join in volunteering, please check the sign up sheets on the back bulletin board in the nave. To provide a sponsorship, please speak to Susie White or to the Rector.

And don't forget to put the different speakers who will be with us on the Monday evenings in Lent on your calendar. To see the specific dates and topics, check out our website for the exhibition, iconsattrinity.org.

Lent and Easter 2016 will be like no other that we have shared – I promise.



Another opportunity for fun, food and fellowship.

Our "Dinner for 8" begins Saturday February 6th. If you signed up to either host or attend at the Ministry Fair, Arlene Springe has your information. If you would like to be included in this fun evening, contact Arlene at (714)637-7104.



Traveling Trinitarians

John and Lisa Jewett attended mass at Cathedral of the Holy Cross and Saint Eulalia in Barcelona. The cathedral was lovely, but the service was in Catalan instead of Spanish, and they did not understand anything. On Sunday, December 20th, they attended a service at "The Anglican Church of Freiburg" in Freiburg, Germany. Service was conducted in English.

Offering Envelopes



Your 2016 offering envelopes are now available. Please save postage by picking up your box of pledge envelopes that are on the table in the back of the church.

S.A.S. PROGRAMS

January, 2016



Tuesday, January 5 – 11:00 AM KATIE TWINE-HAM, daughter of parishioner Laurie Weidner and a junior at the University of Portland, has been living in Spain, studying the culture and language of the country as part of a full language immersion study abroad program. Katie will share insight about her travels, photos, stories and cultural tidbits about the destinations she studied as part of the program. SAS is so pleased Katie will share some of her precious winter break time with us. A POTLUCK LUNCH will follow her presentation.

Tuesday, January 19 – 11:15 AM COOK'S DAY OFF will take place at an old favorite, POLLY'S PIES, 2025 N Tustin St. Please meet at the church at 11:15 AM for carpooling, and note the change in time.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Now is the time to offer flowers to the Glory of God in 2016. Offer your thanksgiving or memory of a family member or loved one. Please take a moment to stop by the Altar Flower Book and sign up. The book is located on the table behind the back pew. Thank you.



01/10 Johnny and Irma Jaime

BOOK CLUB

The book club meets the second Saturday of each month. This month it is **Saturday January 9th**. The group will have a discussion on the book *A Lady Cyclist's Guide to Kashgar* by Suzanne Johnson. They meet in the library from 9:30am - 11:00am. Come join them for a truly enjoyable morning, and some lively literary discussions. A short synopsis follows:

In A Lady Cyclist's Guide to Kashgar Ms. Johnson appeals to our lust for far-off places, for epic travels and sacrifices, for convulsive moments in history, and satisfies – oh, so graciously – our desire for first-rate, lovely fiction.

In one narrative strand we follow the life of Eva, a missionary traveling in 1923 from England to the remote desert in which China, Turkmenistan, and the Soviet Union all border each other. Arriving in the city then known as Kashgar (present-day Kashi, of China), she and her two fellow missionaries fall immediately into turmoil with the native Moham-medan population. These misadventures lead to estrangement, imprisonment, violence, and death. The second story exhibits the troubles of anxious and rootless Frieda, of present-day London. She is also a professional traveler to the Middle East, and is on a quest of her own, no less daunting in its way. Each narrative is as interesting and compulsively readable as the other.

For debut fiction, this work's maturity, subtlety, compassion, and sophistication is astonishing. Western women sallying into the Muslim world, encountering Muslim men and mores, the demands of family and faith, how the world overflows with possibility – Ms. Johnson treats these themes with balance and a highly engaging consideration for her readers. She likewise yokes the two stories together in a full and timely way, with satisfying results all the way around.

01/01	Jerry Jensen	01/23	Betsy Warren
01/02	Chioma Elendu		David Barrow
01/04	Diane Judd		Drew Rodriguez
01/07	Grant Avise	01/24	Jack Kibby
	Charles Stevenson	01/25	Jacob Candela
01/09	Renee Weddell	01/27	Robert Morales
01/10	Don Gardner	01/29	Betsy Little
01/11	Nell Luce		Declan Anderson
01/15	Frank Bonaventura	01/30	Sean Gavello
	Bill Owen		Toni Gavello
01/17	Amy Morales		Martin Sosa
01/18	Chris Parmenter	01/31	Erin Heim

JANUARY OUTREACH CALENDAR

01/03	Ingathering Sunday—Cereal
01/03	St. Paul's Supper Program—4:30pm
01/04	Outreach Meeting—Library 6:30pm
01/25	Southwest Community Center
01/25	Parish Dinner Out—The Habit



JANUARY PARISH DINE OUT

One bite of a Charburger will transport you to a place where cool ocean breezes sweep gently through majestic green palm fronds, and a time when two enterprising young brothers established what it means to RE-SPECT the BURGER. Join us this month at a new dinner out location. The Habit in the Village of Orange. Enjoy not only the char-burger, but sandwiches, salads, shakes and malts. The date is **MONDAY JANUARY 25TH**, 5 to closing. Come try this new adventure and help outreach meet their 2016 goals.



(PLEASE NOTE DAY)

OUTREACH BLESSED FOR 2015

Our Trinity Outreach is a self-sustaining commission meaning we are not within the Trinity annual budget. All funds earned are from our yearly events and all funds are given out to our community.

Over the years we have earned an average of \$12,000.00 and some years have been higher. Here are a few of the groups that we have donated to:

Orange Care Givers Resource Center – Orange County Food Bank – Breast Angels – Mary's Kitchen – Senior Services – Veteran's First – Southwest Community Center – Canterbury Cup – Multiple Sclerosis - Special Olympics - DSAOC – JDRF – Corazon – Friendly Center – Sunday Supper Mission plus many more.

The above is accomplished by you our Trinity Congregation as we all are part of Trinity Outreach. We could not achieve this without you.

You will have a new chairperson for 2016, Donna Watson, and we know she will do a WONDERFUL job for Trinity. Please look into your hearts and volunteer an hour or two of your time to help Donna and Outreach meet our 2016 goals.

ICON HELP STILL NEEDED



We still need volunteers for airport pickup and return of the artist and husband, simple lunches brought to the church every day for them (call Anne Warburton), docents (call Lindsay Whipple) and help the week of installation of art (call Doug Knarr). Sign-up sheets are still on the bulletin board at the back of the church. Please volunteer and we will work with you and your schedules.

NEW YEAR, NEW HABIT

It would be very helpful to the counters, if you would put the amount of your contribution on the outside of the offering envelope. You do not need to put your name for privacy purposes, but please put the dollar amount of the enclosed. Thank you.

SUNDAY SUPPER MINISTRY

Trinity started our Sunday Supper Ministry in January 2011. We are still going strong and will start our 6th^h year in January 2016. We are still serving from 90 – 120 guests, many more families and seniors. Some walk, some come by bus or car. We could not do this without our wonderful ANGEL volunteers! Many Blessings to all of you.

Our managers are: Karoline Johns and Stalky and Judy Lehman in charge of servers; Yvonne Omer - Food giveaway; Irma Ramirez-Drink table. Rev. Annie and youth group for wrapping all the plastic ware that we use at each supper. **We are in great need of a manager for clean-up, please speak to either Rocky or Connie for more information.**

Our suppers for 2016 are:

January 3rd- March 6th- May 1st- July 3rd- September 4th and Nov. 6th

We also need chefs for March 6th, May 1st, July 3rd, September 4th and November 6th

Love and God Bless

Connie Donaldson and Rocky Covill

Youth News

WORSHIP AND GIVING SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Youth Group will continue to meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Please join us for hanging out, games, snacks, Bible Study and discussion, and prayer.

Annual Progressive Dinner

On Sunday December 20 our annual youth progressive dinner was held. Twenty six members of youth group and four recent high school graduates piled into cars to have appetizers at the Mattson's home and dinner at the Eslick's. When we returned to Trinity we exchanged goofy gifts and had some dessert. Fun was had by all!

THANK YOU to Janette and Tim Mattson and Chris Eslick for hosting!

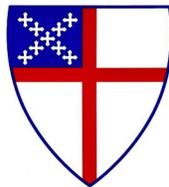
11/29	134	\$7,244
12/06	157	\$9,300
12/13	180	\$9,105
12/20	161	\$8,523
Christmas	324	\$2,542
12/27	137	\$7,808

Advent Vacation Bible School

Saint Nicholas came to Trinity on Sunday December 6! He brought his favorite storyteller, his horse, lots of arts projects and pizza! We all had a great time learning about Saint Nicholas and having fun in the youth center. Thank you to all who helped make this fun event happen – Jack & Carol, Cindy & Ace, John & Lisa, Donna, Kristen & Dan, Lindsay, Micki, all the people who gave us items for our fantastic gift store, our teen helpers and all the families who participated. A big thank you to Heather and Suzanne!

Thank You
Gracias
Obbrigado
Grazie
Tודה
Merci

Thank you to all who contributed to our beautiful flowers and glorious music of this Christmas season. Thank you also to the endless dedication of the Altar Guild, Music Director, and Choir. We also thank the men who helped hang all the wonderful greens.



Diocesan Convention 2015

Trinity delegates; Lauralee Barrow, Robert Morales, Kitty Ellington and Lindsay Whipple joined Rev. Jeannie and Rev. Annie at the Ontario Convention Center, where Diocesan Bishop Jon Bruno called the 120th annual convention of the Diocese of Los Angeles to order Dec. 4 on a somber note, urging an end to violence in all forms and citing a chilling statistic, that the United States had experienced a mass shooting — of four or more — nearly every day of 2015.

About 720 lay and clergy delegates attending the “Horizons and Heritage” themed gathering also heard from author and theologian Renita Weems, the Margaret Parker Lecturer welcomed Bishop Guy Erwin of the Southwest Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and honored Bishop Suffragan Mary Glasspool, who on April 1 will begin a new ministry as Bishop Assistant in the Diocese of New York.

Convention considered proposed changes to the constitution and canons of the diocese and debated several resolutions related to property issues involving the sale of St. James the Great Church in Newport Beach.

Convention delegates overwhelmingly approved a resolution establishing a companion relationship with the Anglican Church in Cuernavaca, Mexico; and a second resolution extending a longstanding relationship with the Diocese of Jerusalem.

Delegates also approved a resolution affirming vigorous opposition “to any further expansion of Israeli settlements in the occupied territories of the West Bank and East Jerusalem.” It called for economic divestment in Israel, a return to the negotiating table and for national advocacy on behalf of the Palestinian people.

In other convention business, delegates approved a \$6 million budget; accepted [Stillpoint: the Center for Christian Spirituality](#) as an institution of the diocese; and elected officers for various diocesan boards and commissions.

A complete convention report can be found at the diocesan website: www.ladiocese.org.

Advent VBS



