



# TRINITY TALK

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## MARCH HIGHLIGHTED MINISTRIES



### The Role of Church Ushers Today

At Trinity our Ushers are the friendly faces that help welcome you to a service. By far, getting to say hello to everyone is my favorite part of ushering. But ushering is very important in allowing the clergy and parish to focus on spirituality, and knowing the service will run smoothly because Ushers are performing (and enjoying) their Ministry.

A typical Sunday involves ushers being the doorkeepers, greeting each person with a smile, shaking hands, and handing out bulletins. They are also available to answer visitors' questions and extend extra help in seating those who need assistance. They are responsible to take up the church offering and make sure it is put in the proper place. Ushers have a goal of minimizing distractions during the music and sermon. Ushers stand ready to assist anyone in the congregation who might need help, to aid latecomers in finding a seat, and to inform those in the sanctuary of any urgent matters. I find being an Usher rewarding, fun, and some of my very best friends are Ushers. If you are called to our Ministry, please contact Rich Heim at 714-313-9252.

Stephen Ministers first pray to God to open our hearts and to have the Holy Spirit flow through us. There are 7 of us on a rotating basis. It is a blessing for us to be able to pray with you and for you. Sometimes we need more than just our own prayers. We are available every Sunday at the side Altar. We also look out to the congregation and pray for 2 or 3 of you. If you are interested in sharing one on one prayer and support to others, please join us. Sal LoCicero (714) 998-7362



**Lay Eucharistic Ministers** are parishioners who have been trained and licensed by the Diocese of Los Angeles for a 3-year period. They assist with the celebration of the Eucharist at the altar rail for Sunday morning Eucharists.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers share a unique experience: that of serving in a defined, public lay ministry. Serving at the altar gives parishioners an opportunity to be at the heart of our worship and in an excellent way to become involved in the spiritual life of our parish. Serving God's table in this way is a reminder that we are all called to the "Supper of the Lamb". Trinity is blessed to have a group of dedicated men and women who serve in this capacity.



**Lay Readers or Lectors** are a dedicated group of men and women who volunteer to assist in our worship service by reading the Lessons and Psalms. They have a deep reverence for the Bible, and find joy in the ways God is revealed in Holy Scripture. For parishioners who enjoy participating at a less intense level, lay reading offers an opportunity to be a part of worship without actually wearing a vestment and "being on the altar".

Please stop by our table March 10th to receive more information. I hope you will be called to join one of these wonderful ministries

Robert Morales (714) 997-4750

## From our Rector

.....*The Rev. Jeannie Martz*

I was recently struck by these words from the introduction to a book I have called "A Lent Sourcebook". Editor Peter Mazar writes, "Lent is not tidy. Days grow longer (the word 'Lent' comes from 'lengthen'), the ground thaws, and the next thing we know, everything is filthy. Our windows need washing, our temples need cleansing, the earth itself needs a good bath. The English names for these months come from ancient words that reflect the need to roll up our sleeves this season: February ('purification') and March ('the spirit of war'). Good names. Winter doesn't leave without blustery battles that push things over and mess things up and even break things. Lent, if we honestly face its fury, will leave the landscape littered with bits and pieces of ourselves.

"Sometimes the only antidote is to take more of the poison. And so on our foreheads we rub dirt: Eden gone to ashes, the dustbin emptied of a winter's worth of soot, last year's leaves riddled with worms, the broken earth turned by the plow, the dry earth thirsty for water to make it clay of a new creation. And when Lent is done and the Passover arrives we'll have water in abundance, water to bathe our feet and water to drown the demons and water to wash away the winter. And, as Bishop Ambrose reminds us, even if we forget to fill the font, there'll be water in abundance in our tears.

"Those of us who are already baptized keep Lent in sympathy with the 'elect' (the catechumens [individuals who are being instructed in the Christian faith] chosen for baptism this Easter). The sympathy is genuine. After all, our lots seem the same. What baptism began in us can readily be undone – and probably has been.

"We are all outside of paradise. We are locked up aboard an unsteerable ship, and we bide our time, unsure of ever reaching land, hungrily eyeing each other as the foodstores fail....

"Ash Wednesday is a kind of baptismal branding. We are marked on our foreheads with the cross of Christ, which is a tree of life to beckon us back to the garden, a ship's sextant to guide us to harbor, a bronze serpent to save us from dying in the desert.

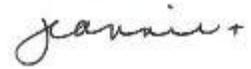
"Coming back to baptism is hard work, like pruning vines, like plowing the earth, like the discipline of training for a contest. Of course, neither the hard work nor the training do the job. All of us, the faithful and the elect and the penitents, will learn this once again, when Lent is over and we have failed but God has not." ("A Lent Sourcebook", p. vi)

Lent begins on March 6, Ash Wednesday. "Baptismal branding" will be available at Trinity at 7 a.m. and noon, and at Our Saviours Lutheran at 7 p.m.

"Coming back to baptism" IS hard work, but it's work we undertake together, day by day and week by week – and however we choose to mark the Lenten journey, whether by giving up a favorite indulgence or taking on a new devotional practice, such as Lent Madness, our choice should be all about God. The primary purpose of whatever we do should be to turn our consciousness towards God and towards the way back to a life

lived within the context of our baptismal promises: to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers; to persevere in resisting evil and to repent and return to the Lord when we fall into sin; to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ; to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves; and to strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being.

I invite us all to share in the journey back to a baptismal life that is a Holy Lent .



P.S. For information on our Parish Lenten Program, see page 4.



Camp Stevens is our diocesan camp in Julian, CA (in the mountains east of San Diego). It offers camps for children and teens during the summer, including a new mini-camp for younger first time campers. Throughout the rest of the year it offers a variety of trips, retreats, family camps and learning experiences open to all. Many Trinity families have participated and highly recommend Camp Stevens. If you have any questions please contact Rev. Annie. Registration is open now!

Registration forms can be found of the back table or on the website:

[www.campstevens.org](http://www.campstevens.org)



### LENTEN MEDITATION BOOKLETS

Lenten meditation booklets provided by ERD are available free of charge on the table in the back of the church. Please stop by and pick one up for the Lenten season.

**S.A.S. PROGRAMS**  
**March, 2019**

Tuesday, March 5 – 11:00 AM - Trinity parishioner JONNAE OSTROM will share one of her many rewarding interests with SAS, the Literacy Program at the Orange Public Library, where she works with both adults and children, helping them to gain proficiency in reading. SAS is pleased to welcome Jonnae as our new representative from the Vestry. A POT LUCK LUNCH will follow her presentation.

Tuesday, March 19 – 11:00 AM -It's time for SAS to journey to the Tustin Senior Center to view the annual show of CAROLYN WESTFALL'S talented art students. Following the viewing, the group will enjoy lunch at the CHINA PALACE RESTAURANT. Those wishing to carpool may meet at Trinity at 10:45.



03/01	Ty Richter	03/17	Heather Anderson
03/02	Uzo Elendu	03/18	David Ripley
03/03	Jenny Oberschlake	03/20	Connie Donaldson
03/04	Miranda Hubbard		Pat Kress
03/05	Laurie McKinnell		Pat Fauteux
	Darwin Kibby		Kimmie Powers
03/06	Denis Bilodeau	03/21	Lyla Merrell
03/09	Allen Stephens	03/28	Randy Donaldson
03/12	Jordan Wilson	03/30	Mike Long
03/14	Arlyce Underwood	03/31	Paula Fisher

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**March**  
**Anniversaries**  
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03/06	Dean and Toni Gavello
03/26	James and Kathleen Wood
03/30	Jack and Nell Luce
03/31	Tim and Janette Mattson

**BOOK CLUB**

The Book Club will be meeting on **Saturday March 9th**. The group will have a discussion on Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann.

Jennifer Drumm Brollier Johnson, the daughter of Phil Lussier's sister, will be the Book Club's special guest. She will be driving up from San Diego, so for this month only the meeting will start at 10am. Jennifer's dad was a member of the Osage tribe so she will be bringing various things to share with us including several items of clothing.

In the 1920s, the richest people per capita in the world were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma. After oil was discovered beneath their land, the Osage rode in chauffeured automobiles, built mansions, and sent their children to study in Europe.

Then, one by one, the Osage began to be killed off. The family of an Osage woman, Mollie Burkhart, became a prime target. One of her relatives was shot. Another was poisoned. And it was just the beginning, as more and more Osage were dying under mysterious circumstances.

In this last remnant of the Wild West—where oilmen like J. P. Getty made their fortunes and where desperadoes such as Al Spencer, “the Phantom Terror,” roamed – virtually anyone who dared to investigate the killings were themselves murdered. As the death toll surpassed more than twenty-four Osage, the newly created F.B.I. took up the case, in what became one of the organization's first major homicide investigations. But the bureau was then notoriously corrupt and initially bungled the case. Eventually the young director, J. Edgar Hoover, turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to try to unravel the mystery. White put together an undercover team, including one of the only Native American agents in the bureau. They infiltrated the region, struggling to adopt the latest modern techniques of detection. Together with the Osage they began to expose one of the most sinister conspiracies in American history.

A true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American history.

Tapas for the Soul—Our 2019 Lenten Series

In 2004, film producer Stephen Simon co-founded an organization called Spiritual Cinema Circle. Calling itself the “Heart and Soul of Cinema”, the mission of Spiritual Cinema Circle has been to provide easy access to inspiring and uplifting independently made short and feature length films that have previously only been available for viewing through film festivals.

On the five Wednesdays that fall **between** Ash Wednesday on March 6 and April 17, the Wednesday in Holy Week, we will be viewing five of Spiritual Cinema Circle’s films. With each of the films lasting between 20 and 36 minutes, there will be plenty of time for our potluck soup and salad supper, the film of the evening itself, and discussion afterwards.

We’re calling these evenings of film watching “Tapas for the Soul” because we see each gathering and each individual film as a separate appetizer or “small bite”. Although our film bites aren’t necessarily related to each other by a single overarching theme, they do each give us something to chew on!

The films we have chosen address a variety of situations and challenges that we all face as human beings. Some humorous, some poignant, some morally challenging, in each of these films our common humanity shines through – even in one theologically imaginative story set in what is purported to be the intake center for the Afterlife!

Our first selection, “Cheek to Cheek”, is an Australian film that will definitely appeal to animal lovers, adult children who find themselves in a “sandwich” situation, and anyone who’s ever had to reassess their life after the loss of a spouse or life partner. Equal parts joy, judgment, and real life, I feel I must give this film a bit of an advance “Loehman’s Dressing Room” disclaimer as it does include some moments of senior female nudity. (The films’ synopsis describes it as “a few risque moments”.) Like I said: real life!

As has been our practice, our evenings will begin with optional Evening Prayer in the church at 6 p.m. Potluck soup and salad will follow in the Parish Hall at 6:30 with the evening’s film starting at 7 p.m. Discussion of the film at our tables will conclude with a plenary summary/wrap up, and we will finish the evening by 8 p.m.

Please put our gathering dates on your calendar: March 13, 20, and 27, and April 3 and 10; and please be sure to sign up on the back bulletin board to bring soups and salads.

We’ll see you on Wednesday, March 13 for “Cheek to Cheek”!

**Outreach Progressive Dinner (looks yummy-plan to bid this fall)**





## MARCH OUTREACH CALENDAR

03/03	Ingathering Sunday—Baby Supplies and Baby Food
03/03	St. Paul's Tustin Sunday Supper Program
03/04	Outreach Meeting—Library 6:30pm
03/25	Southwest Community Center
03/28	Parish Dine Out-Woody's Diner



Outreach is planning their spring event for Saturday June 2nd. Mark your calendars now, and look for more announcements in the coming months.



We are heading back to what has become a favorite among parishioners. From breakfast favorites like corned beef hash plus biscuits and gravy, to good old fashioned meatloaf and chicken fried steak for dinner, Woody's in Orange promises great "Diner" food. Catch the Woody wave, and have the "Best burger to flip a lip over." We can enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner. Come join us on Thursday March 28th from 9am to 9pm. Look for the flyers in your Sunday bulletin.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND.....the amazing Outreach Book & Bake Sale!

This year we are calling it BOOKS R US. For those of you who were concerned when we titled the last one, Starbooks, we remind you that ToysRUs is no longer in business!

The tradition of Outreach book sales began in 2000 and has been held most years since.

**Sales dates: Sunday, March 31 featuring gently read books at \$2 for a hardcover and 50 cents for paperback, plus homemade treats baked by Outreach members. Sunday, April 7 features the "Buck a Bag" deal.**

There is a collection bin in the back of the church for your book, CD, and DVD donations.



**LENT GIVING** - Trinity Outreach supports Episcopal Relief and Development during the season of Lent with its Hope Chest collections. Please pick up a cardboard Hope Chest from the back table of the Church during Lent, and donate to help a hurting world.



Saturday, March 30th, 2019, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Tustin is hosting a Men's Breakfast at 9:00 am. A great breakfast will be served, followed by music and a featured speaker. The men have been meeting for more than a year, and I don't think anyone has been disappointed, either by the breakfast or the speakers.

There is no obligation, other than if you wish to attend please call me or email me to insure there will enough food. No pressure; men from different faith expressions have enjoyed the food and fellowship.

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It's that time of year again! Yes, the dreaded "spring forward." While we love the longer days, we are not so crazy about the loss of an hour of sleep! Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead before going to bed on **Saturday March 09th**. See you in church (on time).



**WORSHIP AND GIVING  
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ATTENDANCE**

**Youth Group News**

On Sunday afternoons from 4 to 6pm all middle school and high school students are invited to join in the fun at youth group. We are spending our time together building friendships. Please contact Rev. Annie with any questions, thanks!

02/03	138	\$ 8,731
02/10	134	\$ 7,085
02/17	151	\$ 8,791
02/24	146	\$ 7,060



Sister Greta Ronningen of the Community of Divine Love will be guest leader at the annual Women's Lenten Retreat, presented by Bishop Suffragan Diane Jardine Bruce and the women of Deaneries 9 and 10 (Orange County) on Saturday, March 23, 8:30am – 2 pm at St. George's Church, Laguna Hills. The meeting, which is themed "Divine Encounters: How God Got My Attention," will include several workshops. Topics include:

**Labyrinth:** Experience how walking the labyrinth can open doors to the spiritual.

**Art:** With provided supplies, create a collage of pictures, text, color and patters to represent a randomly selected scripture verse.

**Holy Women:** Learn about women whose lives have been dedicated to prayer and spirituality, and have shared their experience with others through their stories and writings.

**Sharing Groups:** Share stories of personal divine encounters in a small group.

**Yoga:** Experience how yoga can clear the mind to provide space for God to break through.

Cost is \$30 in advance; \$35 at the door (includes continental breakfast and lunch). No one will be turned away for lack of funds. To register online, visit [www.stgeorgesparish.org/registration](http://www.stgeorgesparish.org/registration) or contact the Rev. Bonnie Brandon at [revbonniebrandon@gmail.com](mailto:revbonniebrandon@gmail.com). Carpooling is strongly recommended.

**Observing Lent**



Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a season of prayer and preparation as we head towards Holy week. Since all Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the six Sundays that occur during Lent are not counted as part of the 40 days of Lent. The number 40 is connected with many biblical events, but especially with the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness preparing for his ministry by facing the temptations that could lead him to abandon his mission and calling.

We use this period of time for introspection, self examination, and repentance. The Lenten season is an opportunity to grow in faith and spiritual self-awareness as we prepare for the great feast of Easter.