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ON THE COVER: The *Birth of St. John the Baptist* (1680s), is an oil painting on canvas of the Neapolitan school by Luca Giordano. The painting is housed in the Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia.

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RECTOR'S MESSAGE

What to Expect When the Rector's Expecting

Beloved in Christ,

With Sarah and I expecting a baby girl to arrive around the end of July, it's funny to think back to what was going on about 10 weeks before Everett's arrival. As first-time parents, we were in the midst of all kinds of preparations; getting the nursery ready, taking an amount of classes on babies that simultaneously seemed like quite a bit and not nearly enough, finalizing the plans for Sarah's mom to be with us, and so on. All in all I think we did a pretty good job of getting ready for Everett, but it doesn't compare to how the experience has prepared us to welcome his little sister. One benefit is a better understanding of family leave, which created some confusion before, as it was new for everyone. I've taken enough classes for all of us, so I won't be offering What to Expect When the Rector's Expecting, but I do want to give you a picture of what my leave may look like.

I'm planning to be away for 2 weeks immediately following the baby's arrival, during which time I'll be mostly unavailable. Fr. Sanders is currently on-call to preach and possibly celebrate on the Sundays from July 26th to August 16th. After those initial 2 weeks, I'll be back on Sundays to celebrate Mass, though we'll continue to have supply preachers through August and possibly into September. At that time I'll become much more available; working from home and returning calls and emails as best I can given the demands of the family. I'll also return to the office, beginning with 1-2 days a week and adding more as we get adjusted at home.

There is still some preparation left to do and, of course, the biggest thing we've learned from Everett (both from his arrival and since) is that there will always be surprises. Still, I'm happy to be able to share our plans with you ahead of time and hope that with your prayers and feedback, we can be as ready as possible as a parish family.

In His mercy,

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

2	Martyrs of Lyons			
	Mass	Noon		
3	Martyrs of Uganda			
	Mass	Noon		
6	VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (tr.)			
	Societies of Mary All are welcome to join the Societies of Mary for their monthly day in the Chapel with Rosary at 11:00am with Mass to follow. Afte to the Parish Hall for a potluck luncheon.			
7	CORPUS CHRISTI			
	Low Mass	8:00am		
	Solemn Mass	10:30am		
9	Columba of Iona			
	Mass	Noon		
	Finance Committee Meeting	6:00pm		
10	ST. BARNABUS THE APOSTLE (tr.)			
	Mass	9:30am		
	Evening Prayer	6:30pm		
12	SACRED HEART			
~~	Morning Prayer	9:00am		
	Mass	9:30am		
16	Basil the Great			
	Mass	Noon		
	Vestry Meeting	7:00pm		

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PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE (continued)

18	Bernard Mizeki Morning Prayer Mass	9:00am 9:30am
23	St. Alban of Britain (tr.) Mass	Noon
24	NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST Mass	9:30am
	Evening Prayer	6:30pm
23	ST. PETER & ST. PAUL, APOSTLES (tr.)	Noon

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PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

3	INDEPENDENCE DAY (tr.) Morning Prayer Votive Mass	9:00am 9:30am
10	St. Benedict of Nursia (tr.) Morning Prayer Mass	9:00am 9:30am
11	Societies of Mary All are welcome to join the Societies of Mary for their monthly day of a in the Chapel with Rosary at 11:00am with Mass to follow. After who to the Parish Hall for a potluck luncheon.	
14	Finance Committee Meeting	6:00pm
21	Vestry Meeting	7:00pm
22	ST. MARY MAGDALENE Mass Evening Prayer	9:30am 6:30pm
24	ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE (tr.) Morning Prayer Mass	9:00am 9:30am
29	Mary, Martha [& Lazarus] of Bethany Mass Evening Prayer	9:30am 6:30pm
31	Ignatius of Loyola Morning Prayer Mass	9:00am 9:30am

COMMEMORATION

St. Barnabas June 11th



St. Barnabas by Giulia Cesare Procaccini, 1605 -06, oil on canvas. Castello Sforzesco, Milan.

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All we know of Barnabas is to be found in the New Testament. A Jew, born in Cyprus and named Joseph, he sold his property, gave the proceeds to the Apostles, who gave him the name Barnabas, and lived in common with the earliest converts to Christianity in Jerusalem. He persuaded the community there to accept Paul as a disciple, was sent to Antioch, Syria, to look into the community there, and brought Paul there from Tarsus.

With Paul he brought Antioch's donation to the Jerusalem community during a famine, and returned to Antioch with John Mark, his cousin. The three went on a missionary journey to Cyprus, Perga (when John Mark went to Jerusalem), and Antioch in Pisidia, where they were so violently opposed by the Jews that they decided to preach to the pagans. Then they went on to Iconium and Lystra in Lycaonia, where they were first acclaimed gods and then stoned out of the city, and then returned to Antioch in Syria.

When a dispute arose regarding the observance of the Jewish rites, Paul and Barnabas went to Jerusalem, where, at a council, it was decided that pagans did not have to be circumcised to be baptized. On their return to Antioch, Barnabas wanted to take John Mark on another visitation to the cities where they had preached, but Paul objected because of John Mark's desertion of them in Perga. Paul and Barnabas parted, and Barnabas returned to Cyprus with Mark; nothing further is heard of him, though it is believed his rift with Paul was ultimately healed.

Tradition has Barnabas preaching in Alexandria and Rome, the founder of the Cypriote Church, the Bishop of Milan (which he was not), and has him stoned to death at Salamis about the year 61. The apochryphal Epistle of Barnabas was long attributed to him, but modern scholarship now attributes it to a Christian in Alexandria between the years 70 and 100; the Gospel of Barnabas is probably by an Italian Christian who became a Mohammedan; and the Acts of Barnabas once attributed to John Mark are now known to have been written in the fifth century. His feast day is June 11.

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COMMEMORATION

St. Mary Magdalene

July 22nd



St. Mary Magdalene as featured, kneeling before Christ at the Resurrection, in a window in the south wall of the nave at All Saints' Church, San Diego.

Mary of Magdala near Capernaum was one of several women who followed Jesus and ministered to him in Galilee. The Gospel according to Luke records that Jesus "went on through cities and villages, preaching and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the Twelve were with him, and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out..." (Luke 8:1–2). The Gospels tell us that Mary was healed by Jesus, followed him, and was one of those who stood near his cross at Calvary.

It is clear that Mary Magdalene's life was radically changed by Jesus' healing. Her ministry of service and steadfast companionship, even as a witness to the crucifixion, has, through the centuries, been an example of the faithful ministry of women to Christ. All four Gospels name Mary as one of the women who went to the tomb to mourn and to care for Jesus' body. Her weeping for the loss of her Lord strikes a common chord with the grief of all others over the death of loved ones. Jesus' tender response to her griefmeeting her in the garden, revealing himself to her by calling her name-makes her the first witness to the risen Lord. She is given the command, "Go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God" (John 20:17). As the first messenger of the resurrection, she tells the disciples, "I have seen the Lord" (John 20:18).

In the tradition of the Eastern Church, Mary is regarded as the equal of an apostle; and she is held in veneration as the patron saint of the great cluster of monasteries on Mount Athos.

Text from Holy Women, Holy Men

TREASURER'S CORNER

By Rick Ochocki



Operating income is under plan for the month of May, but expenses were less than expected.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Revenues	\$16,399	\$25,047	\$(8,648)
Expenses	\$30,380	\$41,192	\$(10,812)

Key *REVENUE* deviations from plan were:

- * Current month pledges were \$4,282 under plan
- * Investment income was \$4,950 under plan due to distribution timing differences

Key *EXPENSE* deviations from budget were:

- * Business expenses were \$3,721 under budget
- * Facilities expenses were \$3,228 under budget

Totals through April:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget </u>	<u>Difference</u>
Pledges	\$57,400	\$56,908	\$492
Total Revenues	\$128,486	\$126,734	\$1,752
Expenses	\$156,315	\$205,958	\$(49,643)

For the first four months of 2015, our deficit is \$27,829

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THE WINDOWS OF ALL SAINTS'

The Clerestory-St. Stephen & St. Paul



In this issue we continue our exploration of the stained glass windows at All Saints' with the sequence of windows beginning at the east (altar) end of the nave, after the transept. On the south side there are four double windows, depicting eight saints. The sequence proceeds in rough chronological order to the west end of the church, then resumes on the north side, where five double windows (ten saints) continue the history of the Church from west to east.

"St. Stephen (first century) is one of only two saints, stationed in the clerestory, who lived in Bible times. His story is told in the sixth and seventh chapters of Acts. After a long (and admittedly tactless) lecture about the Hebrew Scriptures, he was stoned to death, becoming the first martyr of the Church. He is depicted in the traditional way, as a handsome young man with 'the face of an angel.' He bears the palm of victory that is carried by saints who come 'out of tribulation.' Above him is a book of Scripture, and on it are the instruments of his martyrdom—the stones with which he was slain for his devotion to God's Word." - Dr. S. Cox

"St. Paul (first century) was the great missionary apostle, author, and theologian. His pair-

ing with St. Stephen suggests the reconciling power of the gospel: before his conversion to Christ, Paul participated in the martyrdom of Stephen (Acts 7:58, 8:1). Paul holds a sword—ironically suggesting both the literal sword that, according to tradition, was the instrument of his death at the hands of the Roman government, and the 'sword of the

Spirit, which is the word of God.' His right hand is raised in the characteristic gesture with which, it appears, he began his speeches. Above him is a ship under sail, emblematic of his arduous and productive missionary journeys." - Dr. S. Cox



All blue type indicates text from Dr. Cox's Changing and Remaining (2011).

As always we are grateful to Dr. Stephen Cox and Mr. John S. Gray III for their gracious permission to reprint excerpts and pictures from their books, Changing and Remaining: A History of All Saints' Church and The Windows of All Saints' respectively. (Both are available for purchase from the Parish Office.)

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PARISH NOTEBOOK

Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee met for the first time on Thursday, April 16th to discuss the mission and organization of the group. With Jesus' New Commandment that we love one another as he has loved us (Jn 13:34-35) as the starting point, the group discussed various ways in which All Saints' can show the people of Hillcrest and San Diego that we love them.

The group agreed that the best place to begin was with a renewed focus on collecting goods for the Blessing Bags and assembling them as a parish family, which will happen for the first time on Sunday, June 14th. On that day the parish hall will be set up for assembly to take place after the 8:00 and 10:30 Masses. Once the assembly is complete, those willing may go out into the neighborhood in groups to distribute a portion of the bags to those in need. The rest of the bags will be available for people to keep in their cars to distribute as the opportunity presents itself. It is the intention of the group that the assembly and distribution of Blessing Bags become a regular opportunity for fellowship and service. The Social Action Committee is also exploring ways for members of the parish to join others in mission. Some examples may be serving at the Episcopal Church Center in OB, providing a meal at the Uptown Faith Community Service Center, or participating in the Showers of Blessings Ministry at the cathedral, where those living on the street have an opportunity to use the diocese's mobile shower units. Each of these and many others would offer a way to serve in our immediate community without being limited by our own facilities and resources.

Finally, while homelessness is a huge problem in San Diego and Hillcrest, this kind of ministry can be a challenge for many and there are plenty of other needs in the community. For that reason, the committee began looking into whether there are needs at St. Paul's Senior Homes and Services that All Saints' may be able to meet. One that seems like a potential fit would be reading aloud to groups at St. Paul's Memory Care component. The committee will provide more information on this and other possibilities at St. Paul's as it becomes available.

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Canon Allisyn Thomas' Visitation

In church terminology, a "canon" can be either a rule or law or a staff member of a cathedral or bishop's office. Cathedrals can have canons for many different things, depending on the needs of the parish and diocese. Many dioceses will have a "canon to the ordinary," who is a staff officer who performs tasks as assigned by the diocesan bishop, or "ordinary." While their duties vary, the canon to the ordinary often shares some of the practical functions of the bishop. For example, they may share some of the administrative responsibilities like deployment and leadership or oversight of diocesan committees. They may also serve as an authorized representative outside the diocese to those outside by supporting community and ecumenical relationships.

In her ministry as our Canon to the Ordinary, Canon Allisyn Thomas is making parochial visitations to help build the relationship between individual churches and the diocese and to support their mission and ministry. Canon Allisyn will be visiting us here on Sunday, June 14th, and will preach and participate in our Blessing Bag program. The details of the visit are still being planned out and I will share more information as it becomes available.

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