

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS  
CELEBRATION OF THE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF KATHRYN KING'S  
ORDINATION TO THE SACRED ORDER OF PRIESTS**

**December 7, 2025  
10:15 AM (with music)**

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II**



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SO VERY  
thankful  
INCREDIBLY  
grateful  
UNBELIEVABLY  
blessed.

As I mark the 30th anniversary of my ordination two verses of scripture and a quote capture the joy that is my daily bread because of the Call of Christ to me to live into my Baptism as a priest of the Episcopal Church. My parents planted in my siblings and me faith that has anchored generations of our family. My life overflowed with adults who practiced their faith while nurturing me to claim my own. I knew I was going to be a priest before the Episcopal Church was

ordaining women. One of the first people I spoke to about experiencing a Call to ordination was a close friend of our family, The Reverend Roy Hendricks. When my trembling voice spoke the words to ‘Uncle Roy’ he embraced me and said, “God and I have been waiting since you were two.” My parents remembered his words all those years before.

It has been a humble privilege to have served alongside God’s faithful in the parishes, dioceses, and communities I have known. St. Martin’s, Maywood, where I was raised and formed; Eagle’s Nest, now Cross Roads Camp; The Church of the Messiah, Chester / Long Valley, my sponsoring congregation; The Church Divinity School of the Pacific, my seminary. Also, the parishes where I have served in my ordained ministry, St. Peter’s, Mountain Lakes; Christ Church, Los Altos, CA; St. Timothy’s, Danville, CA; All Saints, Bergenfield; St. Alban’s, Oakland / Franklin Lakes, NJ; and now here at All Saints, Bay Head – a gift I could never have dreamed. Each community welcomed and engaged in forming me, encouraging me, forgiving me, and celebrating with me.

To my family, and especially to my beloved Nicholas Alan, my love and thanks overflow. To all who have shared your lives with me and enriched mine, I am humbled by your faith. It has been the honor of my life to offer God’s Sacraments and be invited into the hopes, joys, challenges, sorrows, and everything that human life presents.

“I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb” *Psalms 22:10*

“Christ came that we would have life and have it with abundance” *John 10:10*

“For all that has been, Thank you. For all that is to come, Yes!” Dag Hammarskjöld

Faithfully, joyfully and thankfully,

Kathryn+ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!

**Prelude: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"**

**(Handbell Choir)**

*Milas*

*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.  
Please stand as you are able.*

**Processional Hymn #76 "On Jordan's Bank The Baptist Cry"**

*New*

**Blessing, and Lighting the Advent Wreath**

*Raney*

## **SECOND SUNDAY - Hope for God's Peace**

### *Responsive Litany*

*In this season of Advent, we pray for God's peace.*

**Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

*We witness the hostility between nations and neighbors.*

**Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

*We see a world full of fractured relationships and unforgiving hearts.*

**Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

*We seek relief from our own inner turmoil and restlessness.*

**Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

### *Candle Lighting*

This morning we light two candles, the candle of hope and the candle of peace. This candle reminds us that Christ came into our world to restore peace, and that only through trust in God's word and his promises can we find our own inner peace. We remember that Christ is the Prince of Peace who taught us that through simple acts of love and forgiveness peace is spread throughout the world.

*"Gesù Bambino"*  
Music: Pietro Yon

Words and Arranged by  
JOEL RANEY

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and end this gloom of night. Bring hope to the world, bring peace to the earth, and fill us with love's pure light."

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## **Wreath Prayer**

**Gracious God, as we continue our Advent journey, we thank you for sending the Prince of Peace into a world filled with unrest and strife. We ask that you quiet our restless hearts and instill in each of us the calm assurance that tells us you are in control, so we need not worry. Give us the tools we need to serve as you would have us serve, and make us willing instruments of your peace. Amen.**

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## **The Collect of the Day**

**Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (11:1-10) Ada Draesel**

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the

waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 72. We will read it responsively by half verse.**

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
**and your righteousness to the King's Son;**
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
**and the poor with justice;**
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
**and the little hills bring righteousness.**
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
**he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
**from one generation to another.**
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
**like showers that water the earth.**
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
**there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.**
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, \*  
**who alone does wondrous deeds!**
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
**and may all the earth be filled with his glory.**  
**Amen. Amen.**

**A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans (15:4-13)**

Jeremy Lees

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of

the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual:** "Down by the Jordan" (vs. 1-2)

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (3:1-12)

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing

floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Repeat the Gradual (vs. 3-4)**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

**Nicene Creed**

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### **Prayers of the People**

Kindred in Christ, may God strengthen our hearts in holiness. Trusting in God, let us pray, “O come, o come, Emmanuel; be our peace and our salvation.”

God our hope, increase in us love for one another that we may abound in your love. Keep your Church on the path of love and faithfulness. O come, o come, Emmanuel.

**Be our peace and our salvation.**

God our hope, usher in your reign of justice and righteousness. May all the world know your peace and safety. O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

God our hope, you place signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. Give us the eyes to see you, the wisdom to prepare for you, and the faith to trust you. O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

God our hope, under your reign divisions are overcome, unity restored; bring the people of this town and this country together in a spirit of love and respect. O come, o come Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

We join in thanksgiving with those celebrating birthdays, especially **Angelina O’Neill, Eric Canales, Dick Hewson, Frank Mulligan, and Suzie Van Schoick**. And those celebrating anniversaries, especially **Patty & Dan Slack**. O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

God, our hope, remember your compassion and love. Heal and restore the sick and the suffering, the anxious and the grieving. We remember those we hold in our hearts and those on our parish prayer list, especially **James Spencer Burwinkle, Chris K., Katie, Mark Smith, Joan, Greta S., Anita B., Marianne S., Laura R., Iryna Zarutskya, Len, Martha, Francis Shaughnessy, Donna, Sabina, Jen, Joyce L., Roseanne & Thomas S., Nancy, Henry, Barb, Greg, Laurie, Karen, Sgt. Billy Huether, and Dick**.

O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

We give thanks for the joy we shared in the parish tree lighting and chili cookoff this past week. May our witness shine brightness into the world as our tree shines on our corner.

We give thanks for the opportunity to practice welcome, hospitality, and the love of community at our open house during the Bay Head Christmas Walk. May all who are seeking shelter and belonging find their hearts warmed in this house of worship.

The Altar flowers are given in thanksgiving for Rev. Kathryn L. King by the parish family and the baptismal font flowers are given in thanksgiving for what would have been Philip Schneider's 94<sup>th</sup> birthday by Greta Schneider.

God our hope, keep us blameless before you that we may meet the coming of our Lord Jesus with joy. May we, and all who have died, rise to life immortal with all your saints. O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our peace and our salvation.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Please share the peace with those in your pew and a distanced greeting with others.*

**Offertory Anthem: "Be Thou My Vision"**

Rutter

### **Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

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**The Lord's Prayer**

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**Agnus #S164**

### **The Communion of the People**

*All are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the Altar for Communion, please notify an Usher. Communion will be brought to you. We will receive Communion standing during Advent. Please follow the direction of the ushers. You may receive the host and then choose to either dip the host into the shallow bowl or drink from the chalice.*



**Communion Hymn: #67 "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People"**

*Psalm 42*

**The Post-Communion Prayer**

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### **Wondrous story, saint in glory**

Wondrous story, saint in glory,  
Blessed Nicholas, we sing  
Of your mighty deeds and wonders,  
To us all your lessons bring;  
Ways of loving, ways of caring,  
Let us shout with songs of joy:

*Blessed Nicholas, Blessed Nicholas,  
Patron saint of girls and boys.*

Sailors safe now, three boys live now,  
Daughters free from slavery;  
Calm the sea, and seal our faith now,  
That we faithful ever be;  
Son returned home; pagan gods gone;  
Holy myrrh your life reveals:

*Blessed Nicholas, Blessed Nicholas,  
Patron saint of girls and boys.*

You prepare us to be mindful



Of the truth of Christmastide,  
That our faith and works surrender  
At the manger, to abide  
There with Mary and Saint Joseph  
All our hopes and dreams combine:

*Blessed Nicholas, Blessed Nicholas,  
Patron saint of girls and boys.*

## **The Final Blessing**

## **Announcements**

**Closing Hymn #59** “Hark, A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding”

*Merton*

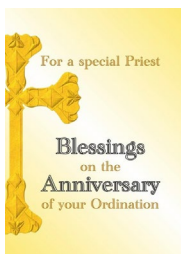
## **The Dismissal**

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia.

**People:** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

**Postlude:** *Kommst du nun, Jesu von Himmel herunter*, BWV 650

*Bach*



The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for and in celebration of the Rev. Kathryn L. King's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ordination by the All Saints parish family.



The baptismal font flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for what would have been Philip Schneider's 94<sup>th</sup> birthday by Greta Schneider.

***Meet and greet in Bristol Hall following the service to celebrate Kathryn's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.***



*We give thanks and celebrate your life-long dedication to God, family, and community on this the 30th Anniversary of your Ordination to the Sacred Order of Priests.*

*With much love from Nicholas, Mary Beth, Margaret, and Rob, and all those whose legacy you continue.*

### **Service Participants**

Celebrant:	The Rev. Kathryn L. King
Assisting Clergy:	The Rev. Canon Christin McCloud The Rev. Mary Frances Schjonberg
Preacher:	The Rev. Canon Linda Potter
Verger:	Clayton Smith
Lectors:	Ada Draesel, Jeremy Lees
Eucharistic Ministers:	Edwin Griffin, Greta Schneider
Oblation Bearers:	Mary Beth and Margaret King
Organist:	John Milas
Altar Guild:	Laurie Doran, Hilary Morse
Hospitality:	The Celebration Committee

**Please join me in welcoming Reverend Canon Linda Potter to the pulpit this morning!**  
Linda and I met on the first day of seminary and lived next to each other in the dorm. We have shared friendship and ministry throughout the years. Linda is one of Nicholas' Godmothers. I am so thankful you will all have the opportunity to hear the Gospel through her servant's heart.  
Kathryn+

**\*Announcements\***

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***Pledge Status Report: 2025 Pledges total \$175,755.00***

***2025 Pledges collected as of 11/30/25      \$ 163,815.00***

***2025 Pledges still outstanding                      \$ 11,940.00***

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- ***12/13 Toy Drive Drop Off Deadline***
- ***12/13 Ladies Shop & Sip***
- ***12/14 Messiah Sing-Along @ 3:30PM***
- ***12/16 Women's Guild Christmas Party***
- ***12/21 Lessons & Carols, Greening of the Church***
- ***12/22 Parish office OPEN***
- ***12/24 5:00PM Holy Eucharist Service with Pageant***
- ***12/24 9:00PM Holy Eucharist Service***
- ***12/25 10:15AM Holy Eucharist Service***

**Thank you for pledging!** The Stewardship committee would like to thank the 63 "saints" who have pledged--and in some cases, already paid--their support for All Saints in 2026. We'd also like to give a shout-out to our 4 first-time stewards and 11 stewards who increased their pledges for next year. Your generosity and responsiveness made our Ingathering Sunday pie feast even sweeter. If you forgot to return your pledge card during the rush of Thanksgiving preparations, we understand. There's still time. The committee hopes to receive those outstanding pledges by

Christmas to help with budget planning for 2026. If you misplaced your pledge card or did not receive one, please see Penny Witt, Sharon Babb, Meg Beresik, or Steve Beresik.



**Ladies, SHOP & SIP.....** The Women's Guild is hosting a community-wide event with J.McLaughlin clothing store in Bay Head on Saturday, **December 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-4PM.** Sparkling holiday clothing, scarves, many gift items under \$100, men's – something for everyone on your Christmas list, or yourself!! 10% of all sales will go to the All Saints Women's Guild ministries. All who visit will be entered in a raffle to win a Jaipur cashmere scarf. Please speak with Hilary Morse or Jo Patrone for more details.

### **Women's Guild Christmas Party - Tuesday, December 16**

The Women's Guild will hold its Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 16th at noon in Bristol Hall. Attendees are asked to bring an appetizer, entrée, or dessert to share at the luncheon and a \$10 or more donation for the Guild's Tree. There will also be a gift exchange for grab bags with a \$10 limit. All are welcome.



St. Gregory's Pantry is holding its annual Christmas Toy Drive! The directors and volunteers at St. Gregory's Pantry are very grateful for all the generous donations from our community to the annual Toyland Gift Drive in the past. We are so pleased to be collecting toys for distribution to children of needy families again this year.

**We hope this will be our largest collection of toys ever!**

We invite you to purchase toys for boys and girls, from toddlers to teenagers. Gifts should be new and unwrapped. Gift cards or movie cards are also appreciated, especially for tweens and teens. Please take a tag from the tree and affix it to your gift.

**Gifts may be dropped off here at All Saints by December 13<sup>th</sup>.** The McLeer's will bring them to St. Gregory's on Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup> so that they can be distributed to parents the following week. Please call Debbi Ehrgood (484) 256-0742 if you have any questions. Thank you so much for your generosity and participation.

## St. Gregory's Pantry

We help those in need locally through St. Gregory's Pantry. These items are especially needed in December.



Canned ham, mustard, tea, canned ground coffee, instant coffee, cocoa, pancake mix, syrup, instant oatmeal.



**Tree Lighting and Chili Cook-Off** Thanks to everyone who participated in this wonderful event on Wednesday evening. Special thanks to Steve Beresik and Chris Niebling for the preparations of our beautiful outdoor tree and to Linda Gyurko for organizing the Chili Cook-Off! Eight competitors prepared chili, and Barbara Tuzio's "white chicken chili" took home 1<sup>st</sup> place.

Wayne Morse took 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Steve Beresik rounded out the awards with 3<sup>rd</sup>.

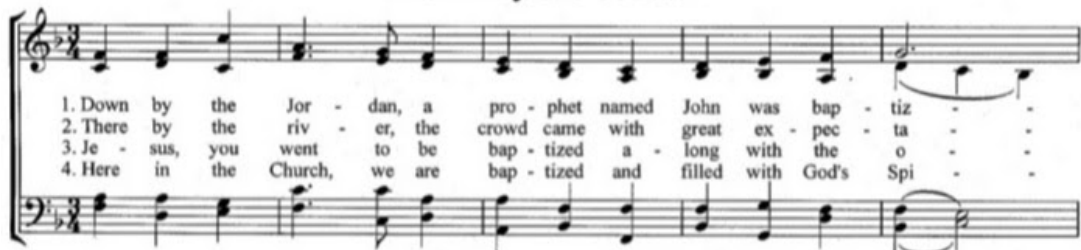
Congratulations to our winners and thanks again to everyone who came out and enjoyed another All Saints tradition.

All Saints Donations

**If you would like to make a donation to All Saints Church, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code shown at left.**



## Down by the Jordan



1. Down by the Jor - dan, a pro - phet named John was bap - tiz -  
 2. There by the riv - er, the crowd came with great ex - pec - ta -  
 3. Je - sus, you went to be bap - tized a - long with the o -  
 4. Here in the Church, we are bap - tized and filled with God's Spi -



ing, preach - ing a mes - sage the peo - ple found bold and sur -  
 tion: "Are you God's Cho - sen One, sent here to res - cue our  
 thers, tak - ing your place a - mong sin - ners, God's lost sons and  
 rit. Freed and for - giv - en we're wel - comed with joy! Can you



pris - ing. "God will for - give! Show that you'll change how you  
 na - tion?" "No!" John re - plied. He who is migh - tier than  
 daugh - ters. Then with great love, God's Spi - rit came as a  
 hear it? This is God's sign! This is how God says, "You're



live! Sure - ly God's new day is ris - ing!"  
 I jud - ges and of - fers sal - va - tion."  
 dove! Your work be - gan in those wa - ters.  
 mine!" Let's take the good news and share it!

WORDS: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (Matthew 3:1-17; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-22 and John 1:6-8, 14-34)

MUSIC: *Erneueren Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. by William Sterndale Bennett, 1864

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The Reverend Kathryn L. King

**Priest Associate**

The Reverend Mary Frances Schjonberg

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John Milas, AAGO, ChM

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Christine Kyse '27

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Chad Newsome '28    Jane White '27

**Vestry**

Linda Carduner '26                      Michael Ling '26

Hilary Morse '28                      Chris Niebling '26

Jo Patrone '27                      Clayton Smith '28



**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION: SCAM ALERT** - Please remember that neither Kathryn nor anyone at All Saints will ever ask you to purchase gift cards, send money, or make purchases on their behalf via email or text. If you receive such a request, please contact the parish office so we can notify the rest of our parish family.



