

- that we may fulfill our lives as disciples of Christ.
- for the United Way and all the good work, they do.
- for Jurist local, state, and federal and for the supreme court justices that they make sound and just decisions remembering Thurgood Marshall Lawyer and Jurist 1993.
- for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit especially and those on the Pastoral Care list: John, Margaret, John, Jim, Holley, Jane and Evie.
- for the Divine love and mercy to sanctify all souls departed: especially Isobel MacGregor and Kimberly Prushnok.
- For all those serving in the armed services.

Notices for the week May 16, 2002 - May 22, 2002

The **Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of her husband
The Rev. George Curt by Vivi Curt.

What are you doing this summer? How about singing in St. Mary's Choir? We would meet a half hour before the 10:00 AM service to go through the morning hymns and service music. No vestments or mid week rehearsals and no prior experience is needed. Interested? Please contact Bill Elliott at (239) 992-4343, ext. 1006.

The **Power of Prayer** Team is ready to receive your prayer requests. Please send your requests via email to powerofprayer@stmarysbonita.org to reach Yolanda Naimoli for action

COFFEE HOUR: Today is the last coffee hour of the season. We want to thank all the wonderful volunteers who made this such a successful venture. It allowed us to enjoy fellowship as well as lovely treats. Coffee Hour will return in the fall.



Today is our annual Compass Rose Sunday. This article will focus briefly on the Compass Rose Society, of which St. Mary's has been a member for several years, and also on the Anglican Communion.

The Anglican Communion was founded in 1867 and is the third largest body of Christians in the world, after the Roman Catholic Church and the Eastern Orthodox Church. The Communion has approximately 85,000,000 members in 165 countries. It is divided into 42 provinces, of which The Episcopal Church, which has approximately 2,300,000 members, is one.

The Communion is headed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who has no authority over the Communion, except for moral suasion. The Archbishop is one of the four instruments of communion. The other three instruments are, first, the Primates Meeting, consisting of the 42 Primates who head the provinces and who meet periodically. They just met in March, and our Primate, our Presiding Bishop, attended that meeting. In addition, there is the Anglican Communion Office, which acts as the permanent secretariat of the Communion, and the Lambeth Conference which meets approximately every 10 years at Canterbury in England. The Archbishop invites all bishops in the Communion to attend. The next conference is scheduled for this July.

The Compass Rose Society began in 1994 at the instance of the then Archbishop of Canterbury, George Carey, in response to the appalling poverty of the Anglican Church in the Sudan. On a visit there, he discovered that the Church had no money for wine for Holy Communion! Moreover, the Communion itself had no money to publicize this plight. Archbishop Carey accordingly assembled a group at the Old Palace in Canterbury to establish the Compass Rose Society. Its mission became that of furnishing funds to the Anglican Communion Office to provide publicity. That mission continues but it has been expanded to include funding other activities of the Office.

Today the Society has about 250 members - individuals, parishes, dioceses and associations. It is a major source of funding for the Anglican Communion Office and also makes gifts in response to proposals from the Office. The Society meets annually at Canterbury or at Lambeth Palace in London.

Bob Foltz, our Senior Warden and a former member of the Board of Directors of the Compass Rose Society, will give a short talk on these matters at the coffee hour following the 10:00 A.M. service today.

This Week at St. Mary's

<i>Monday</i>		
May 16	12:00 PM	Book Club with Hugh Blair (Zoom)
	5:00 PM	Evening Prayer
<i>Tuesday</i>		
May 17	11:00 AM	Committal Service for Isobel MacGregor
	8:00 PM	AA Empathy Meeting
<i>Wednesday</i>		
May 18	10:30 AM	Bible Study (Zoom)
	5:00 PM	Evening Prayer
<i>Thursday</i>		
May 19	7:30 AM	Morning Prayer
	10:00 AM	OSL Business Meeting (Zoom)
	4:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting
	5:00 PM	Evening Prayer
<i>Friday</i>		
May 20	5:00 PM	Evening Prayer
<i>Saturday</i>		
May 21	8:00 PM	AA Group Meeting
<i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>		
May 22	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	6:30 PM	AA Meeting