Advent...Christmas...New Year...2019.
My how time is flying by...which reminds me of a folk song that I loved because of its’ simple message to be in the moment and not move too fast.

The song is entitled “Feeling Groovy”. We don’t use that slang anymore even though I used to when I was young! The singers, Simon and Garfunkle, don’t perform together anymore, but within their lyrics is what Advent points too: slow down, you move too fast. Or as you hear in the Advent scripture readings and hymns:

wake up, be alert for Jesus is coming. Jesus was, is and always shall be! But do you believe that message? You might not say that you are “feeling groovy” about the grace and power of Jesus that we have received, but the gift we celebrate at Christmas is a most amazing adventure. God became one of us in Jesus, is with us always and calls us to...
Worship!

Sundays
8 a.m. Rite I in the Chapel
9:55am Children's Christian formation programs
10 a.m. Rite II in the Church

Private Prayer
The Baptistry of the Chapel, and the Nason Prayer Chapel in the Main Church are always available for private prayer between services.

Wednesdays
12:10 pm Rite II in the Chapel
Bring your lunch, if you'd like. Following a brief informal service in the Chapel, you are invited to eat and enjoy informal conversation with St. Francis' clergy and staff.

Find out what's on...
Go to stfrancispalosverdes.org Calendar.
This online calendar serves as our master calendar for the parish. Printed copies of the current and upcoming week are available in our weekly worship bulletin.

Sunday Sermons Online
Missed a Sunday, or want to hear the sermon again?
Find them at: stfrancispalosverdes.org Sermons online.

Full Calendar
See inside final page(s).

Date for Confirmation
Here at St Francis Next March Sunday, March 3, 2019, 10am
Bishop John H. Taylor will celebrate Eucharist and administer the sacrament of Confirmation here at St Francis.

Bellringer Submissions
The deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month.
Please email to publications@stfrancispalosverdes.org or deliver to the Publications box in the Parish Office.

Like us on Facebook - St Francis Palos Verdes, and Twitter: @stfrancispalosverdes

Our Vision
We strive to be a diverse and nurturing faith community, radiating God’s love and peace in our ministry to the world, and welcoming everyone to active worship and service.

Our Mission
We welcome everyone to worship God together, to be transformed by the Holy Spirit and each other, and to share the light of Christ in the world.

Our Values
Christ-Centered
Christ-Like
Spirit-Led
Welcoming
Intentional
Authentic
Transcendent
Evangelical

Date for Confirmation
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Bishop John H. Taylor will celebrate Eucharist and administer the sacrament of Confirmation here at St Francis.

Both adults and teens are welcome. Please contact Paula+ for full details of Confirmation, and/or reaffirmation of baptismal vows, or confirmation from another church denomination.

Photography
We are always looking for photographs of the people and places of St Francis church. If you have photos you would be happy for us to use in our published materials, please feel free to send them to Susan Marshall at: publications@stfrancispalosverdes.org.

Note - if you would prefer that photos of yourself (other than unidentified in large group shots), and/or photos of your minor children, not be used, please contact the church office - mary.sanchez@stfrancispalosverdes.org.
...grow each New Year a little more and more into a Light and Love that makes us one.

Slow down, you move to fast. Jesus I think was feeling pretty groovy when he said,

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?” (Matthew 25:25-30)

But, this passage is actually a very challenging one to hold in our hearts when we hear of the plight of the homeless, of those who have suffered from natural disasters and violence of any kind, and then there are those we know, family members and friends, suffering from depression, or an addiction or the consequences of dementia, etc.

Yet, the bold message of Jesus is to not worry. God is with us, deeper still, slow down and live this eternal now into Advent, Christmas and a New Year.

With love and care in the Blessings of these seasons! Peace to each of you!

Paula+

Lenten Devotionals

And as 2019 begins ... will you prayerfully consider writing a Lenten devotional? Or at least learn more about it??

Peter Huang & I have headed up the creation of St. Francis Lenten Devotional Booklets the past 2 years, and we ask that you prayerfully consider writing a reflection for our 2019 edition.

As in years past, we will collect reflections written by our very own parish family for the use of our parish family for each of the 40 days of Lent. The reflections will be inspired by the scripture readings for the day, which you will receive at least a month ahead of time. We will happily guide you through the process -- no writing experience necessary! All you need is a willing heart to try something new ...

If this invitation has piqued your interest, please contact me, Kristina Pelá, via e-mail (krab3@yahoo.com) or text (310-941-2498) or home phone (310-375-9823) so I may answer any questions you may have.

Kristina Pelá,
Ministry Council Shepherd for Pastoral Care

Christmas Music

The Christmas Eve Choral Prelude at 8:15 will be the beautiful Christmas Oratorio by Camille St. Saens.

This lush, romantic music tells the story of Christmas, featuring soloists and choir. Soloists will include sopranos Joy Bacon, Jill (Fenske) Lynch), Shelley Reece, Laura Snow, and Susie Zimmerman; Altos Kirsten Gould and Susie Willigrodt; tenors Nathan Remillard, Colin Snow, and Susan Tsuji; and baritones Lance Asuzada, LJ Clark, Clayton Cobb, and Lloyd Mistele.

Beautifully written for our lovely (still in process but getting better every week) organ, this music will prepare our hearts to worship the newborn King at the 9:00 p.m. service.

Invite your neighbor!

Jeannie Cobb, jeannie.cobb@stfrancispalosverdes.org
310 375-4617 Ext 228.
Message from your Senior Warden!
Tim Coleman - sluggyman67@yahoo.com

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to all.

For my last Senior Warden Update, I’d like to take a moment and thank Mother Paula, Peter, Elaine, and my fellow Vestry members for making this such a memorable and fulfilling year. I am happy to report that our annual stewardship campaign is off to a great start. Many of you have already returned your pledges, for which we are all grateful. If you haven’t turned it in yet, Elaine Mistele is happy to receive it now. If you didn’t get a packet, she can take care of that as well. Please also be sure to finish up any remaining amounts from this year’s pledge before the new year.

On a personal note, it is hard to believe that three years have passed since Mother Paula asked me to join the Vestry. It has been a great three years, and I’ve seen the growth in my faith and my walk with God. As the new year approaches, I would challenge any of you who have ever thought that you might want to join the Vestry to do so, take the leap. In my time on the Vestry, I’ve learned what I already suspected—our church is not made of bricks, not contained by walls, nor does it have a roof. We, together, are the church of God, and ours is a beautiful, diverse, friendly, and joyful house of worship.

May this be a joyful and holy holiday season for all of us, and may we hand-in-hand go forth this next year to love God, love others, and serve the world.

In faith,
Tim Coleman

What is Fellowship?

When you come to church, or read the bulletin or newsletters, you often see the term “Fellowship” noted with social events or gatherings. Typically there is food associated with Fellowship – who doesn’t like to get together and enjoy good food? And sometimes, there are games or other interactive activities such as Bingo or musical productions!

But, Fellowship is much more than just good food and games! Fellowship is one of God’s principal purposes for human beings. That is why we all feel the need for companionship, love, and belongingness. Even humanist psychologist Abraham Maslow recognized our need for fellowship, so he put it right in the middle of his hierarchy of needs. He placed it just above our need for food and shelter, and just below our need for self-esteem and self-actualization (www.allaboutgod.com).

People are social beings and many of us like to join clubs, organizations, and associations. Christian fellowship takes this a step further and also fosters things like trust, hope, sense of belonging, security, lifelong friendships, faith, patience and selflessness. At St. Francis there are many opportunities for us to join together and experience Christian Fellowship. For example, our upcoming Advent Breakfast, lovingly prepared by our Friars men’s club, brings our parish together for a delicious meal while we create wreaths and prepare ourselves for the advent season. Fourth Friday Family Coffee Hours provide a family-friendly environment to linger a bit longer after the 10am service and enjoy some fun activities and chat with fellow parishioners. The annual meeting potluck in January is a great time to bring all of our church members together to review our goals and accomplishments as a church family.

There are many opportunities to engage in Christian Fellowship at St. Francis throughout the year. We also welcome new ideas and suggestions for gathering. If you would like to help with any fellowship events, or provide ideas for new celebrations, please contact Mary Deley at mary_deley@yahoo.com or 424-212-9958. You may also access our sign up genius site, where you can sign up to help with upcoming activities at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050948A9A62CAA8-fellowship

Mary Deley,
Ministry Council Shepherd for Fellowship mary_deley@yahoo.com, 424-212-9958

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Families and Kids Pre-K thru 5th Grade

Mrs. Suzanne Gatlin,
Coordinator of Sunday School
suzanne.gatlin@stfrancispalosverdes.org

It’s the most wonderful time of the year!

No secret... I love preparing for Christmas throughout Advent and celebrating Christmastime.
And it really is very special to see Christmas through the eyes of children. In Godly Play Advent is unfolded beautifully leading up to the birth of Jesus.

Children listen so attentively to the mystery and wonderment of all these events; just watching them brings us closer to to where our hearts and minds should focus. There is a simple truth and an uncomplicated faith which God blesses children with. May God bless us with the gift of seeing these coming weeks as through the eyes of a child.

Christmas Pageant

Preparations for our exciting Christmas Pageant will begin on Sunday December 2nd, after the 10:00 service where we will have costumes available.

ALSO on December 2nd, the first Sunday of Advent, during and after the brunch, we will have Advent Wreaths, crafts, and a movie so children will be entertained and enthralled and parents can join in or relax with an extra cup of coffee and adult conversation.

ENJOY this most wonderful time of the year!
Suzanne Gatlin, Coordinator of Sunday School

Sunday School General Information for Term-Times

Where and When

We begin at 9:55am. Please sign-in your child(ren) at the age appropriate room.

We have two Godly Play rooms.

Children ages 3 to 5½ - meet in “level 1” on the left of the Parish Hall stage.
Children ages 6 to 11 - meet in the “level 2” in the center of the Parish Hall stage.

Nursery Care ages 0-3 - meet in the NURSERY to the left stage side - accessible from the back hallway.

We come in to church after the Sermon, usually during the Peace, Announcements or Offertory.

We continue to offer the Sunday Paper which introduces the lectionary for the day as well as crayons and books. They are located in the Narthex, to the left as you enter church.

During Holy Communion, if you do not wish your child(ren) to receive, they are welcome to receive a blessing instead by crossing both hands over their chest while kneeling at the altar rail.
Wonder and witness down on the Farm
St. Francis Youth visit the Abundant Table Farm in Camarillo

It was an almost two-hour car ride with a few traffic jams, but so worth the drive! On Sunday, October 28th, a small group of 3 youth and 5 adults ventured from Palos Verdes all the way to Camarillo to visit and work on the Abundant Table Farm.

We came seeking to connect with creation: the land upon which the farm is planted and which produces a bounty of healthy vegetables and fruits. We also came ready to help: offering our time and energy to assist with harvesting tomatoes (for a local elementary school food program) and weeding the carrots. Along the way we learned about organic farming, tasted delicious fresh strawberries, and were invited to share in a simple family-friendly eucharist outdoors, followed by an invitation to partake of a shared meal with those who come to worship at Farm Church. We give thanks to God for land and rain, for those who plant, tend, weed and harvest the food; and for the ability to participate in caring for creation.

For more information, or to become a subscriber for vegetable/fruit delivery from the Abundant Table Farm, go to www.theabundanttable.org

Group Photo:
Rev. Laurel Coote, Shirin, Joel, Camryn and Rowan Klein, Joe Miyashita and Laura Budreau
Ordination Announcement

Our very own Rev. Laurel has been serving with us here at St. Francis for the last six months as a Transitional Deacon, and in just a few weeks, she will be ordained a priest! The formal announcement is found below and all are welcome to attend to support Laurel on her ordination day.

God willing and the people consenting
The Right Reverend John Harvey Taylor
Bishop of Los Angeles
will ordain

Laurel Eileen Coote
to the Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ’s One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church

Saturday, the twelfth of January
two thousand and eighteen
at ten o’clock in the morning

St. John’s Pro-Cathedral
514 West Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

Your prayers and presence are requested.
Valet parking available and a reception will follow.

St. Francis is getting prepared...prepared for anything.

Stay tuned for our announcements regarding our safety plan and upcoming campus safety tours as well as requests for supplies. Please contact Jennifer Egan-Spalding (eganspald@gmail.com) or Sue Firme (susanfirme@comcastle.com) with comments or questions. Below is a list of items we will be collecting,

but please don’t purchase large items, or bring them into church just yet.
Watch for further information.

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Christmas Altar Flower Donations - Celebrate and Remember!

Fill out this form in order to contribute to the Christmas decorations of our church and chapel through the giving of memorial flowers. The minimum suggested donation is $30. Checks should be made payable to St. Francis Altar Chapter and marked Christmas Memorial Flowers. Place form and cheque in office or in Collection Plate. Please write separate checks for flower and music donations if giving to both.

Name of Donor: ______________________________

Given in loving memory of:

__________________________________________

or Given in Thanksgiving for:

__________________________________________

If you have any questions, please call the church office on 310-375-4617. Deadline for insertion into the Christmas Bulletins is Sunday, December 16. Please print names, and write clearly. Thank you!

Christmas Music Donation

St Francis is renowned for our outstanding music, blending centuries’ old traditions of church music with newer composers right up to the present day.

Our choir always welcomes new members (no audition necessary).

Your generous donations help to support the additional music and musicians which add to our celebratory worship, as well as helping to maintain our regular year-round program. Please write separate checks for flower and music donations if giving to both.

Thank you so much for your donation!

Your name: _________________________________________

Checks should be made to St. Francis Church and marked Christmas Music.
Place form and check in the office or in the Sunday collection plate.
For more information contact Jeannie Cobb - Ext 228, jeannie.cobb@stfrancispalosverdes.org
Outreach at St. Francis
“Love God, Love Others, Serve the World”

St. Francis is very active in supporting several programs in our area, around the Diocese, and the world. The following pages give news on some of the programs we currently support. Please consider how you might be able to make a difference. Gayle Taylor is our shepherd for Outreach! gaylentaylor@gmail.com

**Donations - See the Blue Donation Bin in the Lower Parking Lot**

Please...

- **St Luke’s (see below) - always** needs mens and womens underwear. Any type - cheap is fine. Just the more we can give the better. Online packs can be bought cheaply eg. [http://www.theadairgroup.com/underwear/assorted-colors-adult-boxer-briefs-p-304.html](http://www.theadairgroup.com/underwear/assorted-colors-adult-boxer-briefs-p-304.html) offers packs of a dozen for $9.16 each.
- **No dirty or stained items**, clean, unstained, and whole (not needing mending) items are best;
- **Check expiration dates** on canned and boxed foods; we don’t want to run the risk of making anyone ill;
- **Think about the weight of your donations**; one large, heavy bag should be converted to two smaller (or less full) bags so that we can transport it not only to our cars, but to the donee’s location; in gentlest terms, we are a small (but mighty), mostly older group doing the lugging!
- **Please contact Outreach Shepherd Gayle Taylor - gaylentaylor@gmail.com** - if you have large or bulky items. Last, but certainly not least, accept the heartfelt gratitude of the folks at St. Luke’s, at Harbor Interfaith, and all others, who receive your generosity.

*Thank you!*

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**St. Francis Outreach Scholarship Fund**

**Designs for Dining - Silent Auction Donations**

Gourmet gadgets, silver knick knacks, crystal dishes, gift cards you won’t use? Do you have any of these items, or similar treasures, sitting around your house collecting dust? Well, you can support the St. Francis Outreach Scholarship Fund by donating your items to the upcoming Designs for Dining silent auction!

Donations from our parishioners have been some of our most popular auction items bringing in hundreds of dollars for our scholarship recipients!

Please contact Mary Deley at 424-212-9958 or mary_deley@yahoo.com regarding your donation.

*Items may be brought to the church office no later than February 22, 2019. Thank you!*

**Designs for Dining - Planning Meeting**

Wednesday, January 9, 10:00 a.m. in the Boardroom.

It's fun to be involved and if you're new to the parish, it's a great way to meet others and have a good time while helping raise funds for our St. Francis Outreach Scholarship Fund.

Would you like to decorate a table for our show? We have dishes!

For more information, call Cheryl Gutierrez (310) 791-7038, or cacgmayday@aol.com
Outreach at St. Francis
“Love God, Love Others, Serve the World”

St. Francis Outreach Scholarship Fund

Introduction by Cheryl Gutierrez

Adriana Chavez is in her last year at CSULB and has taken the bus to school since she was a freshman, a two hour commute and several transfers.

Adriana is always reluctant to accept our financial help, but we strongly encourage her to accept certain help that we know she needs to be able to succeed and complete her degree. This is part of our mission along with the financial assistance that we provide.

Thanks to everyone who helps in any way with Designs for Dining, our major fundraiser, purchasing soap at our soap sales, etc.

Cheryl Gutierrez

Good evening everyone,

I wanted to take some time to write a few thoughts because times like these remind me of my very first semester at CSULB and how you helped me navigate it. Attached I have included a mini-reflection.

And thank you again for all you do.

Best regards, Adriana and family

Dear St. Francis Scholarship Committee,

I would like to thank you for your continued support. Ever since I received the scholarship in the Fall of 2014, the generous ladies of the scholarship committee (Mrs. McIntyre, Gutierrez, Laudeman, Pano, and Kovacs) made sure that I was well-equipped to succeed at CSULB. They looked ahead and saw things that I could not. For example, I thought I could survive without wi-fi at home—and boy, was I naïve about that! I am very grateful that Mrs. Gutierrez has worked with me to have hotspot access and cellular data on my phone. This has allowed me to complete homework on the go and late at night.

Now—four years later—I am a few units away from receiving a Bachelor of Science in Pure Mathematics from CSULB, and these ladies still keep an eye out for me; which I appreciate. For those of you who know me, I always do the best I can with what I have. That was my mentality in high school too, when I picked up recyclables after school as a means of bringing some income into my household. I did the best I could with the few options I had. However, as I have come to realize, you cannot achieve your full potential if you struggle to meet the most basic of needs.

One of these needs is transportation. Unfortunately, I do not own a car yet and hence, transportation can be tricky. I do not mind taking the bus—by now, I am actually used to the two hour commute back home—but it is inconvenient when you have been studying until 12 or 1am on campus. In these cases, I rely on the ubiquity of Ubers; however, they can be pricey. Mrs. Laudemann convinced me to accept a monthly stipend to offset the transportation costs and I can already see that this was the best way to go. Specially during my last year, when classes are challenging, and my part-time tutoring jobs are keeping me busy. As always, I am truly grateful for all your support and persistence in allowing me to accept the support!

I hope to gather again sometime soon; perhaps during my Thanksgiving break. Until then, thank you and God bless.

Best regards,

Adriana Chavez

Narbonne HS ‘14, CSULB expected ‘19
Thank you!

It has been a busy yet exhilarating two weeks for the St. Francis Outreach Team!

Thank you to everyone who donated their time, support, and gifts for our recent Habitat Build, Military Packaging for our troops, the St. Luke’s Breakfast and Shower program for the homeless, the Blue Bin sorting of clothes for those in need, and the Thanksgiving Food Drive for Harbor Interfaith! As a combined St. Francis and Town & Country community, we donated 24 turkeys, 70 boxes and bags of food, and gift cards to Harbor Interfaith so many of the poor in our community can enjoy a special Thanksgiving meal. We are grateful for everyone’s support and thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all you do for our parish and our community.

Thanks and Godspeed!

Hank Gatlin
hank.gatlin@stfrancispalosverdes.org

Photos:
Top right - turkeys for Harbor Interfaith
Lower row - happy volunteers having fun with military packing.
Sages Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 11, 11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Enjoy lunch and Christmas entertainment by the South Bay Strummers Ukulele Band featuring St. Francis parishioner Art Grant. Merry Christmas indeed!

Please sign up in the church office. All welcome!

Questions? Contact Hank Gatlin
hank.gatlin@stfrancispalosverdes.org

A-men’s Corner “Continues Down the Road”

Wednesday, December 12th, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Corner Bakery, 1868 S. Pacific Coast Highway in Redondo Beach, near Prospect.

Come join Rev. Peter+ and Canon Hank and connect with other men at St. Francis over a meal or cup of coffee. Let us know if you can join us – or just stop by!

Contact Peter+ or Hank for more information: peter.huang@stfrancispalosverdes.org, hank.gatlin@stfrancispalosverdes.org
Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

All St Francis Women are Automatically Members of the ECW

Among other events, the ECW sponsors the Annual St Francis Antique Show. As in any Episcopal church, all women of the parish are automatically a member.

In addition, many of us are members of one or more of the Guilds, which are smaller groups who meet for social fellowship and also to support various outreach or charitable causes.

How Do I Join?

We would love to see you at any of our events or meetings - just come along! Check out our Website Guilds page, and if any one or more appeals to you, contact the Chair for more information.

Seasons’ ECW News

Another year is ending, followed quickly by a new one. Into it we take memories and lessons learned, sorrows and happiness and our hopes and dreams.

Next ECW Meeting

Because of a successful Antiques show, the ECW will be able to give additional funds to our parish and groups within the diocese and community. This is due to the wonderful support of all of you. Our decisions will be made at our next meeting on January 13, after the 10:00 a.m. service.

Antique Show 2019 Meeting

Planning is beginning for the next Antiques show at its meeting on January 20, also after the 10:00 a.m. service. We are open to any ideas or help you can offer. Plan to check it out.

I saw this saying on a plaque in a catalog and thought it was the perfect motivator for the coming year. I challenge you to join me. Find something here at St Francis, at home or work, and make it your passion! Let me know how you do.

I wish you all happiness and wonder in the holiday season!

Anna Eakins, ECW co-President
Contact annatkozaki@gmail.com or via the church office on - 310 375 4617.

We currently have two Guilds.

St Anne’s - usually meets 4th Monday of each month, 7pm

Led by Sara Schulz Briggs (310 722-0272). Their meetings are the fourth Monday evening of the months, except summer, at 7:00 pm. Frequently meet in the church board room but sometimes in a member’s home.

St Teresa’s

Led by Robin Pano (310 779-0486). Gather at members’ homes in the evening to plan their activities.

The Antiques show

Chairs are Jamie Bellows and Wendy Pratt. The dates this year are May 30, for the Opening Night Gala party and May 31-June 2, for the show itself. See p. 4 for full details.

Rummage Sale

Gloria Jones runs the annual Rummage sale, which usually takes place in August.

Come join us!

Anna Eakins, ECW co-President
Contact annatkozaki@gmail.com or via the church office on - 310 375 4617.

Antique Show Planning Mtg.

Sunday January 20, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. in the Boardroom.

Our recent 50th Antiques Show was a resounding success and netted over $29,000! Come help us build on that success as we start planning our 51st Show. All are welcome and your input is invited!
## Parish Calendar — December 2018

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Advent Taizé
December 18, 7pm

Taizé
Service of Healing and Wholeness
January 22, 7pm

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The Rev. Laurel Coote, Associate for Youth and Spiritual Engagement
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Judith Lyons, Seminarian, Field Ed Intern
Dr. Jeannie Cobb, Director of Music
Mrs. Suzanne Gatlin, Sunday School and Family Ministries’ Coordinator
Canon Hank Gatlin, Coordinator of Shared Ministries
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