

Saint Mary's Anglican Church



*Annual Parish Meeting
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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

OPENING PRAYER

APPOINTMENT OF MEETING SECRETARY

ROLL CALL & VERIFY A QUORUM

INTRODUCTION OF CURRENT VESTRY MEMBERS

- Fr. Michael P. Sclafani, President
1. Peter Cabiness, Sr. Warden (2012)
 2. Gerald Hatler, Jr. Warden (2010)*
 3. Kyle Campbell, Clerk (2012)
 4. Judy Wilson, Treasurer (2011)
 5. Virginia Engle, Member at Large (2010)*
 6. Tom Metry, Member at Large (2011)
 7. Brandy Swisher, Member at Large (2010)*
 8. Jack Van Patten, Member at Large (2012)
 9. Open Seat, Member at Large (2011)*

*Seats up for election at this meeting

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS:

1. Ron Hunt
2. Tim Lueth

MINUTES OF THE 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

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VESTRY ELECTION

The Nominees for Vestry are:

1. Virginia Engel (3 Year Seat)
2. Gerald Hatler (3 Year Seat)
3. Ron Hunt (3 Year Seat)
4. Deo Bartolome (1 Year Seat)

ELECTION OF DELEGATES & ALTERNATES FOR DIOCESAN SYNOD (TWO OF EACH)

The Nominees for Delegates are:

1. Ron Hunt
2. Tom Metry

The Nominee for Alternates are:

1. Tim Lueth
2. Jack Van Patten

APPOINTMENT OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

1. Peter Cabbiness, Sr. Warden

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 2010

2011 BUDGET AS APPROVED BY VESTRY ON DECEMBER 9, 2010

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

CLOSING REMARKS BY RECTOR

CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

ADJOURNMENT

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Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Fr. Michael Sclafani called the meeting to order at approximately 12:20 pm on January 24, 2010. He began the meeting with an opening prayer and a scripture reading 1 Corinthians 1:10.

Maryann Ratchford was appointed by Fr. Michael to be the secretary for the meeting. Fr. Michael then read 2 of the by-laws defining who members are and voting rights.

Maryann then did the roll call and 47 members were present.

Voting Members Present at the January 24, 2010 Annual Meeting

Debbie Bates	Elaine Hefley	Fr. Michael Sclafani
Betty Baun	Ruby Hefley	Peppy Sclafani
Walter Baun	Sara Hubert	Chuck Shaheen
Deborah Boyett	Liz Hudson	Cynthia Shaheen
Cody Cabbiness	Lisa Hunt	Brandy Swisher
Kathy Cabbiness	Ron Hunt	Joan Underdown
Peter Cabbiness	Mikie Kapigian	Velda Underdown
Shannon Campbell	Elmer Lehman	Jack Van Patten
Michael Engel	Jane Lehman	Anthony Velez
Virginia Engel	Tim Lueth	Paula Velez
Don Grant	Elaine Lynn	Jennifer Ward
Ginger Grant	Ralph Lynn	Michael Ward
Charyce Hatler	Tom Metry	Dcn. Jane Williams
Gerald Hatler	Mary Lou Painter	Arlene Wilson
Sammy Hawkyard	Dene Ann Parker	Judy Wilson
Wynn Hawkyard	Maryann Ratchford	

Recognition of Dcn. Jane Williams and Verification of a Quorum

Fr. Michael gave Deacon Jane Williams voice in the meeting but no vote as she has not been a member as long as is required by our bylaws. Fr. Michael also stated that per our bylaws the voting members present constituted a quorum.

Introduction of Vestry

Fr. Michael introduced the present Vestry; Mike Ward (Senior Warden), Lisa Hunt (Jr. Warden & Acting Clerk), Judy Wilson (Treasurer), Brandy Swisher (Member-at-Large), Anthony Velez (Member-at-Large), Tom Metry (Member-at-Large), and Jack Van Patten (Member-at-Large). Everyone applauded the Vestry. Fr. Michael thanked Lisa for her dual role as Jr. Warden and Clerk. On the agenda Anthony Velez was mistakenly left off the list of Vestry Members and Fr. Michael apologized for that. Fr. Michael then appointed Tim Lueth and Ron Hunt as Tellers to count ballots. They both accepted.

Minutes of the January 25, 2009 Annual Meeting

We then reviewed the 2009 minutes. Dene Ann Parker moved to dispense with the reading of the 2009 minutes and Shannon Campbell seconded it. The motion passed unanimously. Ruby Hefley moved to accept the 2009 minutes as presented and Don Grant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Judy Wilson read the Treasurer's Report and answered questions from the floor.

2010 Budget as Approved by the Vestry

The 2010 budget was then discussed. According to the St. Mary's by-laws and the Diocesan Canons the Vestry adopts the budget and it is then presented at the Annual Meeting approved by the Vestry December meeting. There was some discussion of a few line items.

Ministry Reports

The following Ministry reports were submitted and presented: Rector's Report submitted and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Sr. Warden's report submitted and presented by Mike Ward, Jr. Warden's report submitted and presented by Lisa Hunt, Altar Guild Ministry submitted by Maryann Ratchford and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Altar Servers Ministry submitted and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Christian Education Ministry submitted and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Adult Forum submitted and presented by Anthony Velez, Sunday School Ministry submitted and presented by Peppy Sclafani, Daughters of the Holy Cross submitted by Maryann Ratchford and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Hospitality Ministry submitted and presented by Sara Hubert, Music Ministry submitted and presented by Shannon Campbell, Prayer Chain Ministry submitted and presented by Jane Lehman, Scribes Ministry submitted by Maryann Ratchford and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, Sunshine Ministry submitted by Dene Ann Parker and presented by Fr. Michael Sclafani, and the Youth Group Ministry submitted and presented by Mike Ward. Questions and answers followed a few of these reports.

Election of Vestry, Delegates, and Alternates

We then moved on to the Vestry Election. There were three (3) three-year seats and two (2) one-year seats up for election. Mike Ward, chairman of the Nomination Committee, presented four (4) nominations: Peter Cabbiness (3 year term), Kyle Campbell (3 year term), Jack Van Patten (3 year term) and Gerald Hatler (1 year term).

Fr. Michael then called for additional nominations from the floor. Walt Baun, Chuck Shaheen and Ginny Engel were nominated from the floor for the 1 year term.

The ballots were passed out and the following people were elected:

- Peter Cabbiness (class of 2012)
- Kyle Campbell (class of 2012)
- Jack Van Patten (class of 2012)
- Ginny Engel (class of 2010)

- Jerry Hatler (class of 2010)

We then moved on to the election of two (2) Diocesan Convention Delegates. Tom Metry and Jack Van Patten were nominated. Chuck Shaheen moved that we elect these two people by acclamation. Walt Baun seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Tom Metry and Jack Van Patten were elected as our Diocesan Delegates.

We then moved on to the election of at least two (2) Alternate Diocesan Delegates. Alternate Delegates nominated were; Ron Hunt, Tim Lueth, and Elaine Lynn. Don Grant moved to close nominations for Alternates and Jennifer Ward seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Jack Van Patten moved that we elect these three people by acclamation. Peter Cabbiness seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the Alternates were all elected by acclamation. Alternates elected were Ron Hunt, Tim Lueth and Elaine Lynn.

Tom motioned that the Vestry should select the order of the Alternates and Chuck Shaheen seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

Stewardship Education Chair

Mike Ward volunteered to be the Stewardship Education Chair and Shannon Campbell volunteered to co-chair.

Rector's Closing Remarks and Blessing

Fr. Michael thanked us all for our cooperation and participation in the Annual Meeting. Fr. Michael then closed the meeting with a prayer and a blessing.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:05 pm with a short meeting of the new Vestry following.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Maryann Ratchford.

2010 Rector's Report
Submitted by Rev. Father Michael P. Sclafani, SSC

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Lord sure is doing amazing things at Saint Mary's! 2010 was a year filled with worship, service, prayer, and study of the Word of God, as well as increased outreach and in-reach ministries.

We continued to offer three worship services each weekend (1928 BCP Holy Communion on Saturday at 6:30pm, and 1979 BCP Rite II Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 8:00am and 10:30am), as well as numerous opportunities for weekday worship such as Mass during Holy Days, Stations of the Cross on Friday's during Lent, a monthly Healing Service the 3rd Friday of each month, Morning and Evening Prayer during certain times of the year, and an Advent Service of Lessons & Carols. Our Music Ministry Team, Lectors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes & Crucifers, Scribes, Altar Guild, Ushers, our Deacon and all the other quiet un-named ministries gave their time and talent by helping us all to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness each week.

Our Youth Group continued to grow and mature during 2010. Youth Group is led by Cody Cabbiness and Tina Marie Tecson and supervised by Peppy Sclafani. Youth Group is open to all teens age 13+ from our parish and community. Youth Group members assisted during our Spring/Summer Youth Programs Yard Sale Fundraiser as well as our Vacation Bible School ministry and Angel Tree ministry. Youth Group gathers twice a month for fellowship, fun, prayer, and Bible Study. For more information please see the Youth Ministry and Youth Group reports below.

There were many opportunities to study the Word of God this past year. Some studies were lay-led and some were clergy led and all were spirit filled. Studies included specific books of the Bible, a study on Christianity vs Islam, the Truth Project, and others. Each month there was 14-20 opportunities to attend some form of adult Bible Study/Christian Education. For more information please see the Christian Education and Bible Study reports below.

Saint Mary's is a parish focused on studying the Word of God we are also a parish focused on prayer. We have no less than six distinct prayer ministries available at Saint Mary's. Every day of the week individuals and groups are praying for the needs of our members, of our clergy, and of our community. We communicate with God through prayer, and so prayer is an extremely important part of the life of our parish. For more information please see the Prayer Ministry report below.

Outreach is another area of ministry that is vital to the mission of the church. It is through our outreach ministries that we are called to share the love of Christ with the world around us as we minister in the Name of our Lord to those in need. We are taught by Jesus to be a servant to others as He washes the feet of His disciples on Maundy Thursday and then tells them and us to go and do likewise. At Saint Mary's we have several opportunities for outreach ministries such as our weekly Food Pantry collection, Youth Group ministry, the Daughters of the Holy Cross ministering to the residents at the Pacific Gardens Nursing Home, Vacation Bible School offered to members of the community, Angel Tree, and the Golden Living Center ministry. For more information please see the assorted ministry reports below.

Our Jr. Warden and many others gave of their time and talent to beautifying our church campus and glorifying God in the process. Several repairs to the church property were undertaken, the tree landscape project was completed, and two Christian artists from our community donated their time and talent by painting the beautiful and unique mural of the Last Supper on the north side of the Bishop Rivera Building. For more information please see the Jr. Warden's report below.

During 2010 we were blessed to welcome two new members into the Body of Christ through the Holy Sacrament of Baptism. We were present during the laying-on of hands in the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation of nine members of the Body of Christ (three teens and six adults) and the Reception of one adult member of the Body of Christ. We also celebrated the passing-on into paradise of four members of the Body of Christ. We saw some members of our church family leave our parish and we welcomed others into our midst.

On the ecumenical front, it was a joy to offer a joint Vacation Bible School with the Grove Community Church in which more than 75 kids and 50 adults from our two churches and our community participated. Saint Mary's also hosted our 2nd Annual Ecumenical Advent Lessons & Carols in which pastors and members from five different churches participated. We also continue to host a weekly Pastor Prayer Fellowship where pastors from the Sunnyside community come together to grow relationships, prayer for each other and out churches, thereby strengthening the Body of Christ.

2010 continued to be a year of economic uncertainty, challenges, and even hardship for many in our nation, and especially many right here in our own community. Saint Mary's was not immune to those challenges. As a matter of fact along with other parishes in our diocese, as well as most churches in the many different denominations in our community, we experienced those challenges and hardships first hand. 2010 was a very difficult financial year for many, if not most, and almost all the experts predict that 2011 will not be much better. But God promises us that if we put our trust in Him He *will* provide for our needs. He reminds us of that promise over and over in the Holy Scriptures. Thus far He *has* provided for our needs, and will continue to do so as long as we remain faithful to Him and His Word. He has blessed us with the resources needed to carry us through these difficult times, and along with the generous hearts of so many in our parish family I am certain our needs will be met in 2011 and in the coming years.

2010 did not see a resolution of the Property Law Suit filed by the Episcopal Church against our diocese and therefore against our own parish property and assets. As a matter of fact we were dealt a fairly substantial blow to our case by the trial judge in the spring of 2010. However, we were later blessed with a substantial victory when that judge's decision was reversed by the 5th Court of Appeals this past November. We are now awaiting our "day in court" when we will have an opportunity to have this case brought to trial later this year. It would appear that the appeal decision seems to have tilted the scales in our favor. While we hope and pray that in the end we are allowed to keep our church property and assets, I think that we at Saint Mary's understand that the church is not the buildings and assets, but that the church is instead **us** – the Body of Christ. We are the church, we are Saint Mary's, and nothing will ever change that. 2011 may or may not see a final resolution to this old and drawn out issue, but whatever does happen, God is with us because we have remained faithful to Him and to His Word and we have trusted in His provision. There has been a cost to remaining faithful. As individuals, as a parish, and as a diocese we have made many sacrifices and we might be called on to make even more sacrifices. But no matter what, we *will* continue to remain faithful to the LORD in 2011 and in the years beyond, and God will continue to remain faithful to us!

The Holy Spirit has certainly been at work in the life of our wonderful parish in 2010, and if we allow Him to He will continue to work through us and will do even more amazing things in 2011. We are so blessed to be part of a parish family focused on worshipping God, on prayer, on studying the Word, and on sharing the Love of Christ. I pray that God will use each of us in mighty ways in 2011 and that when He calls us individually and corporately we don't hesitate to answer His call. May 2011 be filled with many blessings as we seek to bless others by being His hands and feet used by Him to help build the Kingdom of God as we labor in His harvest. *"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest"* Matthew 9:37-38.

Fr. Michael+

2010 Deacon's Report
Submitted by Rev. Deacon Jane Williams

I have been at St. Mary's now for one year and it has been a delight and honor to serve you. The diaconate is a service ministry. The word *diakonos* (deacon) literally means a servant and in particular a waiter. You can read in Acts 6 where the Twelve appointed Stephen and six others to provide for the distribution of food to the Hellenist widows – they were called to wait of tables. Scripture tells us they did more than just wait on tables, they prayed for them and we are specifically told that Stephen, “full of grace and power, did great wonders and signs among the people”.

The diaconal ministry serves to compliment and enlarge the ministry and effectiveness of the laity, as well as the parish priest. The primary liturgical duties of the deacon are to prepare the table for Holy Communion, proclaim the gospel, offer the prayers of the people, administer the Eucharistic chalice, and to dismiss the congregation at the end of the service. The words “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord” at the dismissal are an invitation by the deacon to take what you have received out into the world – to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with your neighbor or anyone that God has put in your path.

Here are words the bishop spoke to me at my ordination:

“My sister, every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ, serving God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit. God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are to serve all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick, and the lonely. As a deacon in the church you are to study Holy Scripture, to seek nourishment from them, and to model your life upon them. You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live, and work, and worship. At all times, your life and teaching are to show Christ's people that in serving the helpless they are serving Christ himself.”

One of my ministries is reaching out to those in need at Poverello House the fourth Sunday of each month. As a team we not only offer a worship service, but we spend time listening and praying with the homeless. It is especially rewarding when one of us are able to help an individual with a special need. There is much to be done both within our church family and in the world around us. Let's all go out into the world to love and serve the Lord. Blessings to you all!

Deacon Jane

2010 Lay Eucharistic Ministers Report
Submitted by Rev. Deacon Jane Williams

Following a training session this past spring we now have nine active licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEM's) serving at St. Mary's. Their ministry includes reading the lessons prior to the gospel during the worship service, administering the chalice during communion as needed, and being able to lead public worship services of Morning and Evening Prayer. Another very important part of this ministry is taking communion to members of the parish that are unable to attend a regular service for health reasons.

We have met together as a group to share a meal and fellowship together. As a result we have discovered some members of the St. Mary's family that have not been attending church because of health problems and we are now reaching out to them sharing the love of Jesus Christ.

If you might be interested in participating in this ministry or are aware of someone who would benefit from a home visit please contact Deacon Jane.

Deacon Jane

2010 Senior Warden Report
Submitted by Peter Cabbiness

Last year was marked by many challenges and opportunities. Our Parish experienced both joy and pain as we moved forward and progressed as an orthodox, liturgical, Anglican institution. This period of formation was not always pleasant but the foundation has been set for what, I believe, will become a strong Christ-centered Parish of significance where a biblical and sacramental people will flourish and grow in faith and number. I look forward to our continued journey in 2011.

Peter Cabbiness

2010 Junior Warden Report
Submitted by Gerald Hatler

Introduction

It has been a privilege to serve St. Mary's Parish for the last year as Junior Warden and it was made much easier through the support and assistance provided by Father Michael and other members. The Holy Spirit is indeed at work here at St. Mary's and I hope that in some small measure I've been able to facilitate some of the necessary work in building God's church.

Accomplishments

With the help of the outgoing Junior Warden and Father Michael I was able to compile a list of some 30 different tasks that needed resolution. I have accomplished many of the tasks on that list, but there are still many things left undone. Nevertheless, with help of Father Michael and other parish members, we were able to resolve the pressing issues. This is not a complete list but some of the completed tasks include:

- Hospitality room roof removal
- Weed Control
- Sacristy window replacement
- Bishop Rivera Building and Church Office railing and landing repairs
- Mural lighting
- The altar cross that was so brilliantly lit for Christmas Services (thank-you Ron)
- And the number of things that I have already forgotten or were thankfully taken care of without my knowledge

Outstanding tasks

Some of the outstanding tasks I've identified include:

- Painting and lighting the steeple to make it more attractive and stand out in the community
- Compiling a volunteer sign-up list to help organize and resolve some of the tasks that I have neither the time or ability to resolve on my own
- Developing a weed abatement plan to ensure the grounds are attractive and weed control ultimately becomes a much easier and timely process

Closing

I want to thank other members of the parish for their ongoing support and hard work. I especially appreciate the hard work and continued dedication provided by Ron Hunt, Tim Lueth, Tom Metry and anyone else I may have missed. The continued dedication and support provided by the members of St. Mary's and the contributions from our community including Sunnyside Rentals and Clovis Glass Company are truly doing God's work and have made my job much easier. More importantly, the people that get involved in activities at St. Mary's and lend support for the maintenance of the church are individuals that are building, maintaining, and are indeed, instruments in growing God's church. I also

want to thank the permanent staff at St. Mary's for their role in taking care of things and keeping things running and extend my gratitude for Debbie Bates, Mary Ann Ratchford and last but not least, Father Michael. Father Michael has been a grateful source of support and guidance. As a parish we need to support Father Michael and lend him our strength and love as his vision, hard-work and dedication to doing Christ's work is sorely needed at St. Mary's. We are very fortunate to have him. I want to thank the parish for affording me the opportunity to serve St. Mary's over the last year and I look forward to doing my part in continuing to build God's church here at St. Mary's.

Gerald Hatler

Adult Bible Study / Christian Education Report 2010

Submitted by Fr. Michael P. Sclafani, SSC

Throughout 2010 there were numerous opportunities to attend lay-led and clergy-led Adult Bible Study/Christian Education programs. Studies were facilitated by Anthony Velez (1st half of the year), Pastor Deo Bartolome (2nd half of the year), Cody Cabbiness & Tina Marie Tecson (during Youth Group), and Fr. Michael. Ongoing studies were available on Sundays mornings (our Teen & Adult Sunday School Forum), Tuesdays evenings (our Multi-Cultural Bible Study), Wednesday mornings (our Joint Women's Bible Study with the Grove Community Church), Wednesday Evenings (Fr. Michael led this study during the 1st half of the year) and the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month during Youth Group.

Each of our programs was open to every member of our parish family as well as to the community living outside of our parish. Members of other churches and the greater community did in fact attend some of our studies. It is extremely encouraging to see God at work through these programs.

I am so grateful to our Adult Bible Study/Christian Education Ministry Team for giving of themselves to this ministry. I am equally thankful that so many have been fed by attending and participating in one or more of the many outstanding programs offered. I pray that our Lord would continue to lift up gifted leaders in our parish who feel called to lead a study, either at our parish or in their home. May many continue to be drawn into a deeper relationship with Him as we continue to study, learn, apply, and share His Word and His love with others. May God continue to richly bless this vital and spirit-filled ministry!

Fr. Michael +

Adult Sunday School Forum Report 2010

Submitted by Pastor Deo Bartolome

As the former teacher took his leave, I started to lead the Adult Sunday School Forum in July 2010 as a response to Fr. Michael's request. I was given the privilege to choose the lesson and method I would prefer to use.

Our first meeting had an attendance of seven. I gave them as an orientation a one hour study of the Gospel of Salvation. The next session was a reminder of our purpose in studying God's word...that because the Holy Scripture is given not to increase our knowledge but to change our lives, it is vital to put to practice whatever we learn from God. Otherwise, our efforts and time spent in our study would be futile.

After saying these things, the attendance in the next meetings became fewer. They have their own reasons, of course. However, those who kept on coming were obviously interested and they looked serious in learning more from God's word (and were blessed, so I hope). We were studying the book of Philippians. It was a thorough verse-by-verse study of Philippians.

We are now studying another epistle of Saint Paul, his first letter to the Thessalonians. We are now in chapter four.

Deo Bartolome

Multi Cultural Bible Study Report 2010

Submitted by Pastor Deo Bartolome

Lessons in our Adult Sunday School are repeated every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Bishop Rivera Building. We call this “St. Mary’s Multi-Ethic Bible Study.” This ministry is attended by some from our parish and some from other churches around us. Although everybody is welcome every Tuesday, so far only four white Americans and few Filipinos currently attend this ministry. Some Mexicans and Afro-Americans expressed intentions to attend but failed to come.

Deo Bartolome

Golden Living Center Outreach Ministry Report 2010

Submitted by Pastor Deo Bartolome

St. Mary’s Nursing Home Ministry started in July 11, 2010. In June 2010, as I was ministering to one of the patients of The Golden Living Center Hillscrest, a nursing home at 3672, N. First Street, Fresno, CA. 93726, the activity director approached me and asked if I could provide a twice a month Sunday Worship Service for their patients. I said yes. When I told Fr. Michael about it as a ministry opportunity of our church, our rector was delighted. This was to be a ministry among the sick who could not come to church to hear God’s word and receive communion. With our rector’s blessings and encouragement, the said ministry began.

Attendance varied because some patients who got well were sent home while at times new patients were admitted. New faces were always given the opportunity to hear the gospel of salvation. A relative of one of the patients recently showed interest to come to St. Mary’s to attend our Multi-Ethic Bible Study but she got sick.

I am currently praying and contemplating on letting others take over this ministry because I want to concentrate more on a new ministry we are to launch this February—a ministry that would train those who will be interested in personal evangelism and nurture of new believers.

Deo Bartolome

Youth Ministries Report 2010

Submitted by Peppy Sclafani

Sunday School: Saint Mary’s Sunday School teacher’s during 2010 were Debbie Bates, Mary Lou Painter, and Peppy Sclafani. We continued with *The Whole People of God* curriculum. The feedback we received from our families from this curriculum was very positive. This year’s Sunday school was conducted as a group with some parents joining us on occasion.

Nursery: Kris Metry continued to bless us with her services in the Nursery though 2010. She is a true blessing there and the children adore her. I went through the Nursery toys and supplies giving it a spring

cleaning. I got rid of broken and overused items replacing them with newer and/or gently used items. We also moved the wall divider's out of the Nursery/Sunday school room for more open space. The Nursery continues to be available all year including special events.

Youth Confirmation Class: Cameron Ward taught this class for the first two month of 2010, and then Peppy taught it until it's completion in September, 2010. This was a very thorough year long class. One of my goals for the confirmation class was to offer basic understanding of the Anglican Church so as to begin the kids on a path to further study in the Anglican faith, and for the youth to truly understand what salvation means and how to go about attaining it. Praise be to God, these goals were achieved! A wonderful highlight of this class was when Tina Marie Tecson presented the Gospel to the youth using not only scripture but also drawing visuals as she presented it. Confirmation took place on September 26, 2010 with two teens (and several adults) confirmed by Bp. John-David Schofield.

Youth Group: Cody Cabbiness and Tina Marie Tecson are our Youth Group Leaders, and fine leaders they are! Youth Group meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month in the Bishop Rivera building. Youth Group has been studying the book of Matthew. They also watch a "Nooma" video followed by discussion. They share a dinner meal provided by Kathie Cabbiness or Terilyn Dillon. The youth also indulge in some very fun games. Our youth had a busy year with the annual church rummage sale. It was a huge success raising approximately \$1,800.00!! The youth also helped deliver Angel Tree gifts to the homes of needy children. Goals for the Youth Group in the coming year are to put themselves out into the community more to serve people in need, focus on a few different fund raisers, be able to take a trip or two to a California Mission at the coast, and most importantly, to take part in applicable Bible studies geared for teens/youth living in a troubled world.

Vacation Bible School (VBS): Simply put, 2010 VBS was a smashing success! St. Mary's Anglican Church and The Grove Community church came together to put on a VBS which focused on Joseph and his time in Egypt. Our goal was to honor and glorify the Lord as we brought to local church communities together. We definitely reached that goal beyond measure. Our goal for VBS 2011 is to bring more churches in the community to share in the next presentation as we focus on glorifying our Lord once again.

Peace and blessing!

Peppy Sclafani

2010 Youth Group Report #1
Submitted by Cody Cabbiness

Dear Friends in Christ,

What a wonderful and eventful year 2010 has been for our Youth Group. I was proud to begin a new ministry in June by taking an in depth look at the teachings from the book of Matthew. The Youth Group not only enjoyed and thrived with these lessons, but they were able to incorporate them into their everyday lives and real impressions were made. We are an older youth group that deals with difficult situations that affect all young adults in our everyday lives. The teachings of Christ have assisted and impacted each one of us in our own way and for that we are extremely thankful. Along with our regular lessons, we are and extremely lively and fun group who do all sorts of activities when we get together. In addition to the games we play at every meeting, we have had special get-togethers including the BBQ at Father Michael's house and our pumpkin carving contest. These activities have strengthened our relationship as friends and brought us closer together.

With 2010 coming to a close, we are looking forward to the gifts that 2011 bring. We will conclude our teaching of Matthew in January and begin a new study. I pray that the youth group will grow in numbers and in faith and that the Holy Spirit will guide each one of us to become better Christians as well as leaders in the community.

Your Faithful Servant,

Cody Cabiness

2010 Youth Group Report #2
Submitted by Tina Marie Tecson

In the middle of 2010, I started attending the youth group at St. Mary's. I was greeted by warm smiles and a few good people who were truly seeking direction in life. Although I had barely started going, I was surprised when I was assigned as youth leader to the group. I know that the others had been going for quite some time, so I felt a bit awkward thinking of how to lead them. Being a youth leader for the first time in my life made it a bit hard for me to think of how to start, as well.

All throughout the year, I do believe that Cody Cabiness has been doing a fine job with teaching us about the Gospel according to Matthew and supplying us with lessons that we can apply in our everyday lives. He leads us with a short ice breaker in the beginning but gets down to business right after. He has been able to do his duty well as a youth group leader.

Sometime in August, I had shared the gospel with the youth group, and I do wish to see them with the enthusiasm to learn it by heart, so that when they get the opportunity to share Christ to friends, classmates, or family members, they may do so with the support of the word of God. In using the word of God, they would have more boldness and confidence with what they profess to believe in.

After getting to know the rest of the youth group and feeling more and more comfortable throughout the latter half of 2010, I welcome 2011 with more plans to expand our fellowship off Church property. Rather than limiting our meetings in the confinements of our Church, it would do us good to spend time with each other in outside places to practice putting God at the center of our lives and to glorify Him, wherever we go. Church is our comfort zone, where we are free to talk about Jesus with each other, but in order to be the light Christ called us to be, we must step out of our comfort zones and recognize where our 'Jesus zones' are, be them at school or at home.

Also, being a part of the youth, I do see the energy they are capable of expelling, and I wish to see them use this energy in glorifying God in every aspect of their lives and to consequently win other youth to Christ. I strongly believe in the potential our youth group has.

Some practical goals may be to have scripture memory verses each meeting. With treasuring God's word in our heart, the Holy Spirit will lead us to remember the things we learn whenever we have a difficult decision to make or if we need some encouragement. We could also start to pray for one another each meeting, to teach us the value of caring for each other more as we grow closer as brothers and sisters in Christ.

A personal wish for mine is to lead the others with a song or two in the beginning of our meetings. Although this is usually seen in other Churches, one of the main reasons (other than to praise God through music) they do this is to set the people's hearts on God - to get them open and ready for the lessons they're about to hear. It would help a lot for young people, especially nowadays, since music is a big part of our lives.

Youth group isn't just about having fun and playing games and learning about the word of God. Youth group is about encouraging each other when times get tough. It's about being open and honest, and praying for each other. It's about putting Christ's love into practice in our lives.

With that said, I pray that Saint Mary's youth group matures spiritually. I pray that we learn to focus on glorifying God in our lives and not to focus on just having a good time. I pray we learn to reach out to others. But most of all, I pray that we all spend more and more time with God in 2011, and that He will always be the one we turn to for reference in every decision we make.

In Christ,

Tina Marie Tecson

2010 Music Ministry Team Report **Submitted by Shannon Campbell**

First of all, I'd like to thank Father Michael, the Music Ministry Team (Ron, Annette, Theresa, Bob, Rita, Don, Tim, and Deborah), and the St. Mary's family for the opportunity to serve as the music ministry leader for the past church year. It has been such a blessing to me. As with all ministries, it is important to take inventory of where we have been, where we are at, and where we are headed. This past year there was the challenge of incorporating essentially two music ministry teams into one unified team. The choir and praise band were brought together to lead the worship of the congregation. Some things were lost (variety of instruments, praise team and/or choir members, more "modern" worship music selections, and a service that was focused heavily on the music aspect of worship) and some things were gained (blended worship style incorporating "contemporary" worship selections with traditional hymns, and more consistent worship throughout the weeks). One thing that I feel that has strengthened the ministry of the music team of St. Mary's is this union of the two groups as it has demonstrated an "our" ministry rather than a "their" or "my" ministry. We come together as a ministry team to assist both the clergy and the congregation during corporate worship by leading the congregation in songs of praise.

No greater example of corporate worship this year was than that of our Annual Lessons and Carols. This allowed many churches in our area to come and hear the message of the story of salvation, partnered with and supported by contemporary musical selections that reflected the lessons read. The turn out and response was tremendous. The hope is that next year, choir members from participating churches could join our ministry team.

Right now on the music ministry team, we have a total of nine members. In a typical Sunday, we have about four to five present on a weekly basis. My personal hope for this next year is to add dedicated voices to the ministry team and have them offer up more anthems appropriate to the church season.

I hope to, this year, while coordinating with St. Mary's Music Ministry Team (and Fr. Michael and other interested members of the congregation) for input, create a songbook compiling regularly used musical selections not found in our hymnal so that we can reduce weekly copies and compile a repertoire of music that is and/or will be familiar to the congregation. Each year, the songbook can undergo review to remove selections that may not work, and add a few newer selections.

Finally, on a personal level, I have struggled with my role as music team leader and have made a personal commitment to engage in a study of worship in the church and worship as it is described in scripture to rekindle the spirit of worship in my own role as a music team leader. In essence I long to identify true worship and how I can, as team leader bring that into corporate worship within the church. While it is truly a blessing to be called to serve the Lord through the sharing of musical gifts, it has been a challenge

to me as challenges in my personal life have led me to thirst to be more of a participant of worship than a leader. I know that my calling is to use my gifts and talents here at St. Mary's, and God has not released me of that role, so as I continue in that role, I desire to seek out what it is that God is teaching me through these personal trials, and how I can continue to rejoice in Him . . . always.

Shannon Campbell

2010 Prayer Ministry Report
Submitted by Fr. Michael P. Sclafani, SSC

Intercessory Prayer Ministry is a very important part of the life of Saint Mary's. There are several ways to add your prayer needs to this Ministry.

We have a very dedicated group of prayers warriors that make up the Saint Mary's Prayer Chain. The Prayer Chain should be used for immediate emergency prayer needs, and can be activated by calling Jane Lehman at 237-0196. This ministry has faithfully and tirelessly served our parish for many years.

The Prayer Board in the back of the church is also available for both immediate and long-term prayer needs. To add a prayer need to the Prayer Board simply call the office at 255-4883 and either speak with Maryann or leave a voice mail message for her and the prayer need will be added to the board. Every member of the parish is encouraged to check the Prayer Board regularly and to add those prayer needs to your daily prayer time.

At the entrance of the church is a small podium with a Worship Service Prayer List. A new list is put out each Saturday for names to be added as needed. The needs on this list are prayed for by name during each worship service and also throughout the week.

We are blessed to have a local chapter of the Daughters of the Holy Cross (DHC) at Saint Mary's. Each member of the DHC takes vows of daily prayer, study, evangelism, and service. Saint Mary's chapter of the DHC prays for very specific prayer needs of our parish, clergy, and community. DHC prayer needs are strictly confidential. If you have a prayer need that you would like the DHC to aware of all you have to do is let any one of the daughters know, and she will share that need in confidence with the rest of the daughters, and they will add the need to their daily prayers.

Another new prayer ministry that was birthed in 2010 is the lay-led Thursday Night Prayer Meeting. This prayer group is open to everyone and meets in the Bishop Rivera Building on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm to 7:30pm for one hour of silent and verbal extemporaneous prayer. Prayers are offered for personal needs, parish needs, and community needs. Every member of the parish is encouraged to consider becoming part of the prayer meeting as often as possible.

The church is open for one hour each morning from 8:30am to 9:30am (Tuesday thru Friday) for silent personal prayer. The church is also available for silent personal prayer until 3:00pm Tuesday thru Friday by checking in at the office and asking for the church to be unlocked for you.

And finally, several pastors from churches in the Sunnyside community meet weekly at Saint Mary's to prayer for each other, for our congregations, and for the needs of the community.

Fr. Michael +

Scribes 2009
Submitted by Maryann Ratchford

Our Scribe Ministry Team consists of Mikie Kapigian, Mary Lou Painter, Jane Lehman, Debbie Bates, Walt and Betty Baun, Maryann Ratchford, and Judy Wilson. I am very grateful for all of the help that the Scribes provide to me with folding of bulletins etc.

Altar Guild 2009
Submitted by Maryann Ratchford

Our current members are Maryann Ratchford, Cynthia Shaheen, Debbie Bates, Charyce Hatler, Katy Cabbiness, Mary Lou Painter and Arlene and Judy Wilson and we are happy to have a new member this year, Sonja Duffy.

The Altar Guild purchased brass refillable candle lighters to attach to our candle lighter/snuffer. This will prevent wax from getting on the Altar fair linen which is very difficult to remove.

2010 Daughters of the Holy Cross Report
Submitted by Maryann Ratchford

In 2010 we chose Pacific Gardens as our outreach project. We have visited the patients a few times throughout the year, taking them small gifts and visiting with them. We hosted the Christmas Luncheon this year. If anyone is interested in becoming a member please contact Fr. Michael. Members are Kathy Cabbiness, Barbara Davis, Charyce Hatler, Jane Lehman, Maryann Ratchford, Peppy Sclafani, and Cynthia Shaheen.

2010 Lectors and Altar Servers Report
Submitted by Fr. Michael P. Sclafani, SSC

Lectors. This ministry assists during our worship services by reading the 1st lesson, Psalm, and 2nd lesson during the service. If you think you may be called to become a Lector speak with Fr. Michael. He will help you discern that call. If it is agreed that you are being called to this ministry, Fr. Michael will offer you training and will add your name to our monthly schedule.

Acolytes and Crucifers. Acolytes are also called Torch Bearers. They serve during special Holy Days and other services by being keepers of the torches which are used during the procession and at the reading of the Holy Gospel. The flame of the torch is symbolic of the Light of Christ and the Fire of the Holy Spirit. Crucifers lead the procession as the cross bearer, and they are also responsible for tending the credence table. The ministry of the Acolyte and Crucifer not only enhance our worship experience but is extremely helpful in assisting the priest in the celebration of The Holy Eucharist. If you think you may be called to become an Acolyte or Crucifer speak with Fr. Michael. He will help you discern that call. If it is agreed that you are being called to this ministry, Fr. Michael will offer you training and will add your name to our monthly server schedule.

2010 Treasurer's Report
Submitted by Judy Wilson

Being your Treasurer for the year 2010 was a pleasure & an honor. I am humbled at the support I have received from Fr. Michael, the Vestry & the Church & will do my best for the good of St. Mary's. This has been a very exciting year. We have met all our obligations, paid all our bills, supported our Missionaries, contributed to our Building Fund & sent our youth to camp on half scholarships. We have an ending balance in our checking account of \$9,371.30, our savings account (Building Fund) of \$6,268.08 & our Money Market account of \$77,355.35 as of 12/31/10.

The State of California owes St. Mary's \$7,820.00 for their portion of the State Grant Trees Fund monies. St. Mary's has paid out these funds from our own accounts & is waiting for reimbursement. Thanks to Brandy Swisher things are moving forward on this & we should see the reimbursement very soon.

Each month I have attended the Vestry meetings & supplied them with a detailed explanation of each of our expenses that exceed the budgeted amounts for that month along with the financial reports on our income & expenses. This has helped both the Vestry & me in identifying anything out of the ordinary that needs to be discussed & corrected. Thank-you, Vestry!

The Vestry transferred \$20,000.00 from our Money Market account in Aug., 2010, to our general account to cover a monthly deficit between our income & expenses of \$4,000.00 for the next five months. Of these funds we have used \$10,628.70 as of 12/31/10 to pay our expenses.

Once again, "Thank-you" St. Mary's for putting your trust in me & I look forward to serving you another year as Treasurer.

Judy Wilson

2011 Budget as Approved by the Vestry on December 9, 2010

		2010	2011	Difference
Income				
	1000 · Income			
	1001 · Pledge Income	89,360.00	80,000.00	-9,360.00
	1002 · Plate Income	2,500.00	3,800.00	1,300.00
	1003 · Member Offerings	72,150.00	33,600.00	-38,550.00
	1004 · Special Services	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
	1005 · Votive Candle Offerings	250.00	200.00	-50.00
	1006 · Flower Offerings	1,700.00	1,500.00	-200.00
	1007 · Gifts & Other Income	500.00	500.00	0.00
	1010 · AA Group	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
	1011 · Corvair Club	200.00	200.00	0.00
	1012 · Girl Scouts	200.00	200.00	0.00
	1013 · Hmong Church	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
	1014 · Filipino Church (IBBC) Rent	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
	1020 · Interest - Money Market	1,000.00	0.00	-1,000.00
	1021 · Interest - Operating Account	0.00	0.00	0.00
	1022 · Interest - Building Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
	1023 · Money Market Transfer	0.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
	Total 1000 · Income	172,460.00	164,600.00	-7,860
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Expense				
	2000 · Office and Admin Expenses			
	2001 · Public Relations/Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2002 · Bank Fees/Charges	60.00	30.00	-30.00
	2003 · Bookkeeping/Audit	300.00	300.00	0.00
	2005 · Copier Maintenance	700.00	850.00	150.00
	2006 · Diocesan Assessment	23,000.00	16,000.00	-7,000.00
	2007 · Miscellaneous Office Exp.	200.00	100.00	-100.00
	2008 · Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,500.00	300.00
	2009 · Postage	600.00	500.00	-100.00
	2010 · Subscriptions Church Trac	60.00	200.00	140.00
	2011 · Subscription Quickbooks	515.00	400.00	-115.00
	2012 · Subscription Web Site	70.00	100.00	30.00
	2013 · Subscription Misc.	100.00	100.00	0.00
	Total 2000 · Office and Admin Expenses	26,805.00	20,080.00	-6,725
	3000 · Facilities Expenses			
	3001 · Electricity	4,500.00	4,900.00	400.00
	3002 · Internet Service	600.00	600.00	0.00
	3003 · Lawn & Gardening Service	3,600.00	3,600.00	0.00
	3004 · Pest Control Services	840.00	840.00	0.00
	3005 · Propane	600.00	800.00	200.00
	3006 · Insurance – Property	4,000.00	3,400.00	-600.00
	3007 · FMFCD Assessment	168.00	168.00	0.00
	3008 · Repairs and Maintenance	2,500.00	2,000.00	-500.00
	3009 · Security Services	360.00	325.00	-35.00
	3010 · Telephone	1,200.00	1,100.00	-100.00
	3011 · Water/Waste disposal	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
	Total 3000 · Facilities Expenses	20,868.00	20,233.00	-635.00

	4000 - Administration Expenses				
	4010 - Payroll Taxes	4,000.00		5,500.00	1,500.00
	Total 4000 - Administration Expenses	4,000.00		5,500.00	1,500
	5000 - Staff Expenses				
	5001 - Parish Administrator	12,960.00		12,960.00	0.00
	5002 - Sexton	3,000.00		3,000.00	0.00
	5003 - Nursery Worker	1,560.00		1,560.00	0.00
	5011 - Workers Comp Insurance	700.00		500.00	-200.00
	Total 5000 - Staff Expenses	18,220.00		18,020.00	-200.00
	6000 - Clergy Expenses				
	6001 - Rector Stipend	57,465.00		57,465.00	0.00
	6002 - Rector Pension Fund	10,344.00		10,344.00	0.00
	6003 - Rector's Insurance	22,758.00		19,258.00	-3,500.00
	6004 - Rector's Mileage	2,400.00		2,400.00	0.00
	6005 - Rector's Discretionary Fund	1,200.00		1,200.00	0.00
	6024 - Deacon Mileage	500.00		500.00	0.00
	6031 - Supply Clergy Stipends	1,800.00		1,800.00	0.00
	6034 - Supply Clergy Mileage	300.00		300.00	0.00
	6040 - Conferences & Convention	0.00		950.00	950.00
	Total 6000 - Clergy Expenses	96,767.00		94,217.00	-2,550.00
	7000 - Ministry Programs				
	7001 - Adult Christian Education	250.00		400.00	150.00
	7002 - Altar Guild Supplies	800.00		800.00	0.00
	7003 - Altar Flowers	2,000.00		2,200.00	200.00
	7004 - Hospitality	500.00		500.00	0.00
	7005 - Music Program	200.00		400.00	200.00
	7006 - Stewardship	500.00		500.00	0.00
	7007 - Sunday School	500.00		500.00	0.00
	7008 - Sunshine Program	500.00		250.00	-250.00
	7009 - Vacation Bible School	300.00		500.00	200.00
	7011 - Youth Group	250.00		500.00	250.00
	Total 7000 - Ministry Programs	5,800.00		6,550.00	750.00
	Total Expense	172,460.00		164,600.00	-7,860.00