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Florence Nightingale, Nurse and Social Reformer



Florence Nightingale was born in Florence, Italy in 1820. She was trained as a nurse and in 1853 became superintendant of a hospital for invalid women in London. During the Crimean War she organized the first modern nursing service in the British Field Hospitals of Scutari and Balclava, When she returned to England in 1856, she established an institution for training nurses at two hospitals. Her primary focus was always on sanitary reform and public health. An Anglican, she was committed to a personal mystical religion which sustained her through many years of poor health until her death in 1910. By the time of her death, her reputation as a healer and holy person had assumed mystical proportions. She is honored throughout the world as the founder of the modern profession of nursing.

Life-giving God, you alone have the power over life and death, over health and sickness: Give power and wisdom, and gentleness to those who follow the lead of Florence Nightingale, that they, bearing with them your presence, may not only heal but bless, and shine as lanterns of hope in the darkest hours of pain and fear; through Jesus Christ, the healer of body and soul, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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Calendar of Events

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SAVE THE DATES

Aug 16, ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, Pahrump, 10:30 AM. Bishop Dan will lead the congregation in this joyous celebration. Reception with lunch will follow the service. **Please join us!!!**

Aug 22, DEADLINE FOR "EARLY BIRD" REGISTRATION FOR DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

Aug 23, YOURS FOR A SONG: ST PATRICK'S FUNDRAISER, 5:00 - 9:00 PM, The Chateau, 955 Fairway Blvd., Incline Village. An elegant evening of fine dining, Broadway entertainment, and valuable auction items - all "for a song." Tickets are \$80 per person and include a three-course seated dinner with two bottles of wine to share among your table companions. Please visit <http://www.tahoeepiscopal.org/doc/SongDinner.html>

Sep 3, CHRISTIAN BASICS: An Outline of the Faith (found in the Book of Common Prayer) offered by the Frensdorff School beginning Sep 13 at St. Peter's Church in Carson City. This class is open to anyone seeking educational formation into baptismal discipleship. The class will meet twice monthly on Sunday afternoons from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. The first semester (Sep - Dec) will follow the theme "A Community of Revelation." The second semester (Feb - May) will continue with the theme "A Community of Reconciliation." The class facilitator will be Chuck McCray. Please contact frensdorff.school@gmail.com for more information.



Sep 5-6, THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAM; Animal Stories for the Soul, presented by William Miller, Christ Church, Las Vegas. Saturday 5:00 PM - Sermon; Sunday 8:00 AM - Sermon; 9:15 AM - Lecture: *A Conversation with Dog*; 10:30 AM - Sermon. Book signing to follow. For information call 702-735-7655.

Sep 20, CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN for Kindergarten - 5th Grade, 10:15 AM, All Saint's, Las Vegas

Sep 27, A SPECIAL MULTI-CULTURAL WORSHIP SERVICE WITH BISHOP DAN PRESIDING at the Ending of a Pastoral Care Relationship and Rector's Retirement Celebration, 2:00 PM, All Saint's Las Vegas

Oct 3, SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST AND ITS PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS: A Roving Workshop by Bishop Dan, St. Paul's Church, Elko. No Charge. [For Additional Information](#)

Oct 22 - 25, DIOCESAN CONVENTION: I Love To Tell The Story; Keynote Speaker: Fr. Jake aka Fr. Terry Martin. Harvey's Resort & Casino, Lake Tahoe Area. [For Reservations](#)

YOUTH WEEKEND AT CAMP GALILEE DURING THE CONVENTION - Ages 7-18; all types of camping activities. Fee for the weekend is \$100. Please contact stuartcampbell66@gmail.com for information, or to register your children.

Nov 1, CHORAL EVENSONG WITH RECITAL: BEDE PARRY, ORGANIST, 5:30 PM, All Saint's, Las Vegas

Nov 22, THE GRAND PRIZE, Raffle Drawing at St. Matthew's - Proceeds to benefit St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. 1st Prize - 4 tickets to Las Vegas's Lion King at Mandalay Bay; one-night stay at Mandalay Bay; and a \$200 gift certificate for dinner. One ticket; \$5; three tickets: \$12.00; five tickets: \$20.00. Please ask a Vestry Member for the tickets. Thank You for your support.

Dec 20, CEREMONY OF LESSONS AND CAROLS, 10:30 AM, All Saints', Las Vegas

Dec 24, CHRISTMAS MUSIC BY ALL SAINTS' CHOIR, 10:30 PM, All Saints', Las Vegas

Jan 10, EPIPHANY CHORAL EVENSONG WITH RECITAL: BEDE PARRY, ORGANIST, 5:30 PM, All Saints', Las Vegas

Feb 17, ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGY WITH SPECIAL MUSIC BY ALL SAINTS' CHOIR, 7:00 PM, All Saints', Las Vegas

Mar 28, CONCERT BY ALL SAINTS' CHOIR, 5:30 PM, All Saints', Las Vegas

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Training Workshops for Lay Leaders



On Saturday, September 26, from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM a diocesan-wide training for Lay Leaders will be offered.

Lay leaders will be trained to serve as Worship Leaders. The new lay led services of Communion Under Special Circumstances Adapted for Public Use will also be introduced. Eucharistic Visitors as well as Lay Leaders should attend because of their role in this communion service. This service is NOT a Deacon's Mass. It is not a mass at all, not a Eucharist. It is a distribution ritual sharing in a mass that has happened at another place and another time. The Presiders at this service are Worship Leaders and Eucharistic Visitors. They must be licensed.

Trainings will be held at:

Las Vegas: All Saints' Church - Bishop Dan Edwards

Elko: St. Paul's - Rev. Karen Albrethsen

Reno: Trinity - Rev. Jim Beebe & Rev. Jim Edwards

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Bishop Dan.



Desert Angels Health Tip of the Week

Hand washing is one way that you can stay well during the upcoming flu season. Amazingly, about 80% of infectious diseases are transmitted by touch. As you touch your face, mouth, nose, etc with unwashed hands, germs enter your body. Your best protection from the flu and other infectious diseases, is frequent handwashing. The friction that occurs when you rub skin against skin, along with warm water and soap, followed by a thorough rinsing and drying, gets rid of potentially harmful bacteria. Wash your hands frequently and vigorously. Apply hand lotion after each wash to prevent dry, cracking skin.

NEWS BRIEFS

Yes, we now have our own Facebook page! [Episcopal Diocese of Nevada Facebook Page](#). Please visit our page, get acquainted with it, make comments, ask questions, visit Bishop Dan's blog, and more...

Food Pantry Emergency: The Three Square program in Las Vegas has just lost a \$6 million dollar grant. Our shelves are empty at Christ Church (as are most other food pantry shelves in the community). Please remember to add a couple of non-perishable food items to your shopping list and bring them to church to put in the food baskets in the Narthex. **THANK YOU.**

Episcopal Recovery Ministries in Nevada is in formation and will have its first meeting at Diocesan Convention in October. If you would like to participate in this ministry, or have questions, please contact Kathie Knutson Meier at knutenote@cox.net (702-684-6444 or 253-250-9531), or have a look at the home page <http://www.episcopalrecoveryministries.org>

Diocesan Convention, Harvey's, South Lake Tahoe - Thursday, Oct. 22 - Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009.
Theme: I Love to Tell the Story. Keynote Speaker: Fr. Jake, aka Fr. Terry Martin. When you book your room online there is NO FEE. [Online Booking](#)



A Bus Trip to Lake Tahoe for the Diocesan Convention in October will be sponsored by St. Matthew's, Las Vegas. For information, or to make a reservation, contact Thelma Northrup at (702)-889-3929; or email stmatts@embarqmail.com

Resolution Committee Formed - The Resolution Committee for the Diocesan Convention 2009 has formed. The members are: Rev. Victoria Daniel Riley, Chair; Rev. Helen McPeak; Fred Lee; and Margaret Bouzek. All resolutions must be submitted to Rev. Riley not less than 90 days prior to the first day of the convention. Please submit resolutions via email to vriley@nevadajustice.org, or by U.S. mail to Rev. Victoria Daniel Riley, 2769 Wellington North, Carson City, NV 89703.

Desert Angels - A Parish Nursing Program of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. This is a new ministry whose mission is to bring health and healing to the parish communities of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. The group will have a booth and planning meeting at the October convention. If you are interested in learning more, or joining us, please contact Clelia Garrity at 775-253-5579.



The Following Groups will meet during Convention on Saturday, Oct 24 from 1:30 - 3:30 PM: Episcopal Recovery Ministries; Episcopal Church Women; Desert Angels: Health Care Ministries; Parish Treasurers; Mission Support Team; Ministry Development Commission; Green Team: Environmental Ministries; Faith & Visual Arts Ministries; Standing Committee; Commission on Ministry; Ministry Development Commission.

Bishop Dan encourages those interested in these ministries to attend even if they are not otherwise involved in Convention.

The Bishop Wes Frensdorff School of Christian Formation: A new Education Venture of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. The school's mission is *To bring together all Nevada Episcopalians for Christian formation, empowering each other to live deeply into our Baptismal Covenant in our relationships, service in daily life, and witness to the world.* To learn more go to the new Frensdorff School of Christian Formation website: <http://frensdorffschool.webs.com/>

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The Episcopal Diocese of Nevada embraces 6,000 members from communities throughout Nevada and Bullhead City, Arizona in 34 congregations and 2 new faith communities. Our electronic newsletter service and print journal, The Desert Spirit, are provided to parishes and members free of charge.

Persons interested in the ministry of communications may contact [Barbara](#), [Hallie](#), or [Karl](#) to get involved.

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