



What's in a Name ?



Many of you know that we will be naming our parish on November 3rd of this year. There has been a great deal of excitement and emotion so far as we anticipate the name of our Church. It has been almost 10 years since a small group of faithful people worked to establish this mission parish. It has been quite a journey for so many of you that have been here for a number of years. In my 16 months here, I have seen a deep love and commitment for our Church in San Juan Capistrano. I think the most important element our church has to offer is Faith. We are a Faith community, as we should be. It is

through our Faith that God builds his Church. In the parable of the talents, when the master hears that two of the three servants received their talents and then took what God had given them and increased it, his answer was "Well done, Good and Faithful servants." (Matt 25:23) All those who have participated in building up this community to this point, receive the same words from Jesus Christ ... "Well done." If any of you are like me, it has to feel good to be coming on the milestone of naming our parish. We have all been through a lot together. Our community, like all communities, has had it's ups and downs. And that's how life is. We cannot predict anything, we can only have faith that God is with us no matter what. Our only prediction should be that we will remain Faithful, and God will provide the rest through our faith in action .. through us as servants.

We are currently organizing the process of how our church will get it's name. I know and have faith it will be a good one that has meaning to our church and our lives. Many of the saints of our Church were born with different names than the ones we know them as. As they grew in faith and service, either by baptism, or by being associated with saintly works, they became known to the community by their new Christian names. This month, we celebrate the feastday of St. Panteleimon, whose name was originally born with a different name. This Saint, who was from Nicomedia, was the son of Eustorgius and Eubula. His father was an idolater, but his mother was a Christian from her ancestors. It was through her that he was instructed in leading a Christian life. Later, he was taught the Faith by Saint Hermolaus whose featday is the day before St. Panteleimon. Eventually he was baptized St. Hermolaus. St. Panteleimon was a physician. He practiced it in a philanthropic manner, healing every illness more by the grace of Christ than by medicines. Although his parents had named him Pantoleon ("in all things a lion"), because of the compassion he showed for the souls and bodies of all, he was worthily renamed Panteleimon, meaning "all-merciful." The name is fitting and says a great deal about who he was and what he did. I pray for the same thing in the naming of our parish. May the name be fitting and may it say a great deal about who we are and our Faith.

Fr. Bill Tragus

July

- Tues 3: Prime Timers 12:30 pm
- Wed 4th: SJC Beer Booth & Taco Booth
- Thurs 12th: Summer Greek Dance 6:30 pm
- Thurs 19th: Summer Greek Dance 6:30 pm
- Thurs 26th: Summer Greek Dance 6:30 pm
- Fri 27th: Liturgy St. Panteleimon 9:30 am
- Sun 29th: St. Sophia Camp (week 1)

August

- Sat 4th: St. Sophia Camp (week 2)
- Thurs 2nd: Summer Greek Dance 6:30 pm. Intermediate classes will begin on August 9th and run through the end of August
- Fri 3rd: Paraklesis to Theotokos 7:30 pm
- Mon 6th: Liturgy Transfiguration 9:30 am
- Fri 10th: Paraklesis to Theotokos 7:30 pm
- Mon 20 - Fri 24: Vacation Church School
10:00 am - 1:00 pm (Mon - Fri)
- Wed 15th: Liturgy Domition Theotokos 9:30
- Sat 18th: Beach Party 10 am - 10 pm

Prime Timer's Luncheon ~ July 3rd: The next luncheon will be held on Tuesday, July 3rd at 1:00 pm at The Tastes of Greece which has expanded its dining area. The restaurant is located at 30012 Crown Valley Parkway, Laguna Niguel. Contact Bert Dumais, (949) 412-9169.

4th of July ~ Beer Booth & Taco Booth: We will be selling food and beer at the SJC 4th of July Picnic. Attendance is free. There will be bands playing and a great firework show. Please plan on attending with friends for lunch dinner or snacks to support our fundraiser. If anyone would like to volunteer to work a shift at any booth, please contact Ann Rhodes at office@gomsoc.org

Summer Greek Dance ~ July 12th to Aug 2nd: These dance classes will be taught for fun, fellowship & learning. Ages 13 years and up, although, any dancers that are in Paralia younger than 13 can sign up. John Basdakos recommends that Paralia dancers take at least the beginners classes which will introduce the most popular dances of today. Intermediate dance classes will begin on August 9th. Kids should check out the "package deal" for both classes.

Beach Party ~ Aug. 18th: We will be at Doheny State Beach, Area 2 for a day of family fun. In addition to the sand and water, there is a large grassy area at the site with room for games for the kids. We will end the day with a bonfire at sunset. Each family should bring their own food. There is a fee for parking (about \$10). Plan to arrive early and spend the day with friends.



Sunday School Graduation, June 10, 2012

Youth Calendar - June

Vacation Church School ~ Aug 20—24: Please join us for Hometown Nazareth. Ages 4 (by 9/30) to entering 5th grade. For more info, contact Presbyteria Mia at: presmia@yahoo.com

Tour LA w/ Fr. Bill: Goya (7—12 grade) We will be rescheduling our Tour due to many date conflicts we had last month. Please look out for info for July Tour LA w/ Fr. Bill. For info, contact frbill@gomsoc.org

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Doheny Beach Party

- Sat., Aug. 18th 10:00 am – 10:00 pm. Doheny State Beach, Area 2
- End the day with a bonfire at sunset.
- Bring your own food.
- Parking (about \$10). Come early and spend the day with friends.



2012 Stewardship Update

Annual Operating Budget	\$375,000
Amount Pledged	\$105,750
% of budget pledged	28%
Amount Received	\$66,900
% of budget received	17%
2012 Stewards	76