



Holy Spirit Church
Communities of Courage and Compassion

A Shared Ministry in East Contra Costa County
St John's Parish, 5555 Clayton Road, Clayton, CA
St Michael and all Angels, 2925 Bonifacio, Concord, CA

September Calendar of Events

All Services at St John's Clayton through September 22nd

Sunday September 8th	9 AM - St John's Service 11 AM - St Michael's Service
Sunday September 15, 2019	9 AM - St John's Service 11 AM - St Michael's Service
Saturday September 21, 2019	St John's Non-Event 7-9 PM in the Parish Hall
Sunday September 22, 2019	9 AM - St John's Service 11 AM - St Michael's Service
Saturday September 28, 2019	Voices in the Nave 7:30 PM @ St Michael's \$10 Adults/\$5 Students and Children
Sunday September 29, 2019	Feast of St Michael and All Angels @ 11:00AM Festal Eucharist followed by lunch

Adult Ed

Tuesdays - 10 AM - St John's
Sundays - 4 PM - St Michael's
Topic: Project 1619

Dear Family of St. John's and St. Michael's:

Next on the calendar is the big one for St..Mike's, Homecoming Sunday, the feast of St. Michael and All Angels! 11:00 am on the 29th, everyone who's anyone will

be there and you should too. Lots of music and fun and since its a feast, a boatload of food afterward in the Keith Coppage Mission Center. This, then, would be a great time to entice people who've left the area, live in our area or been seduced by a cult to return to Michael's steely gaze--to see how our tough little church in the big ol' building survives and thrives in the 21st Century. You'll be there, won't you? Won't you?

ST JOHN'S PRESCHOOL

The wait is over and St. John's is ready to welcome little ones to the class of '2020 and beyond at our new Preschool. There is room! If you know of folks with kids in that age frame, have them check us out, it's an exciting new chapter in St. John's history!



[WEBSITE](#)

ADULT EDUCATION

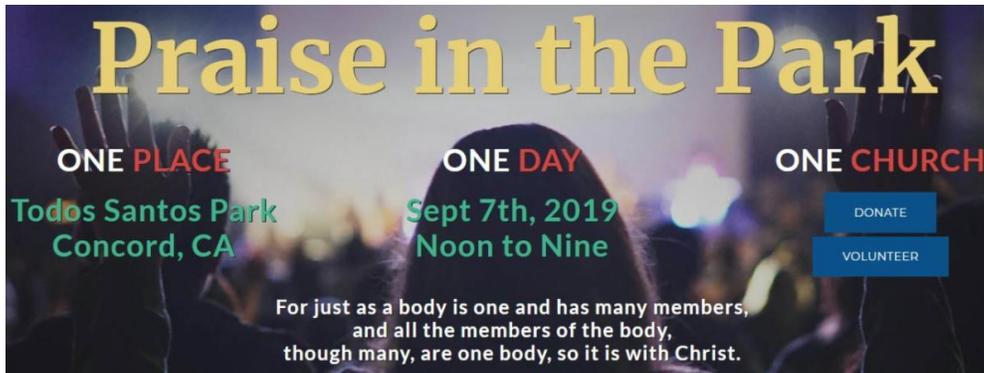
Adult Education is up and running at our two churches. Tuesday Morning study and Eucharist at 10 at St. John's, and Sundays at 4 at St. Mike's, where the subject will be the 1619 Project, an interactive exploration of what went into the first acts of slavery in the U.S. The NY Times put this together in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first slaves brought to the U.S. Definitely worth your time to participate, starts this Sunday at 4. It's upsetting to many sides of the political spectrum so you know you need to be there!



It sounds like a lot, but we're only talking around a month's worth of activities here, and as our fundamentalist pals would say, "who loves you because you brought 'em to church?" Lots of opportunities coming up for fun, worship and joyful community. Let's continue to celebrate!

Keep reading for upcoming events for you and your family!
Keith Coppage, Communications Guru

Upcoming Events



Praise in the Park

ONE PLACE
Todos Santos Park
Concord, CA

ONE DAY
Sept 7th, 2019
Noon to Nine

ONE CHURCH

DONATE

VOLUNTEER

For just as a body is one and has many members,
and all the members of the body,
though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

Would you, like to hear some uplifting music this weekend, free? Come on down to Todos Santos in Concord and spend some time at Praise in the Park. It's afternoon of Christian music, the brainchild of Darryl McCollum, a Grant Street dad and friend of St. Mike's. On the day-long bill of local and national talent are speaker Justin McRoberts, a Bay Area native, Christian rapper Miles Minnick and Sherri Yongward, whose lovely voice you can enjoy here: [VIDEO](#) A fun day in the sun, all the details are here: [EVENT WEBSITE](#)

ST JOHN'S NON-EVENT

Once again it's time for Saint John's Annual Non Event on Saturday, **September 21 from 7-9** in the Parish Hall. Please come with an appetizer to share. Beer and wine will be served and musical entertainment will be provided by Chris Piazza.

Think about past fundraisers where you'd be recruited to bake, sew, paint, solicit donations - all taking time and energy. A special dinner for eight that you might donate would involve planning, shopping, food prep, cooking, cleaning the house, setting the table, serving and finally the clean-up. This could easily be 12-15 hours just for your time. At \$15 an hour minimum wage (and you're definitely worth more!) you would have probably contributed between \$200 and \$300. Whoops - forgot to include the cost of groceries which would make your contribution cost even more.

Wouldn't it be so much easier and less stressful to write a check and then come to a fun party to celebrate the Non Event! Please consider what you can contribute and support Saint John's Non Event. All contributions will go towards the Saint John's capital fund.

We hope to see you for a wonderful evening on the 21st, but just in case you can't make it, we will provide you with an envelope for your donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!



Voices In The Nave

Joyce Pricco has been putting together quite the packed lineup for this year's edition of Voices in the Nave, happening at **7:30 Festival Saturday (that's the 28th)** in our church! Among the lineup for stellar talent that is doing this just for us are: Ted Weis, who started up Festival Opera nearly 3 decades ago, Nick Liang, owner of the to-be-craved Uncle Yu's at the Vineyard in Livermore (his expertise with wine is matched by his way with a song), plus our longtime favorites like wild-mannered Jill Brehm Enders and the multifaceted Victoria Rapanan, who if you only know her through her students' performing here, well wait'll you hear her fill the church with her own voice! Plus on hand will be a certain choir director and music teacher we're all terribly fond of, *and* more acts and info to come, so stay tuned to your trusty newsletter for news from the entertainment capital of the Diocese, okay? It's at 7:30 on the 28th, a mere \$10 ticket supports not the singers-- who are lovingly donating their time and talents-- but ol' St. Mike's. You can't go wrong and you can DVR your favorite shows, find a pew and join us!

Voices In The Nave *What We Love*

*Classical songs and arias,
musical theatre and
popular music*

September 28th

7:30-9:30 pm

Admission: \$10 general, \$5 Student



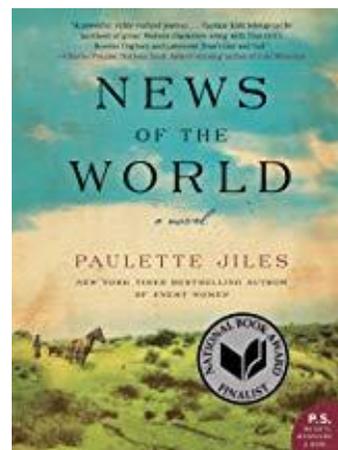
St Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church
2925 Bonifacio, Concord, CA

THE GRANT STREET PLAYERS PRESENT: **Dreamland Express, A John Denver Celebration**

You'd think all we're about is singing and carrying on! It doesn't stop there as the GSP is simultaneously working on their John Denver celebration, Dreamland Express, happening Friday thru Sunday, October 4-6 at 7 on the patio at St. John's. Just about every John Denver hit is represented and the GSP has new and familiar faces on hand to bring John's tenderhearted sentiments to life and there's no better place to do it than St. John's on balmy nights. Tickets are \$10 and on sale at the door 1/2 hour before. More on this one later!

BOOK CLUB

Also in October is a chance for you to dive into a book that is soon to be the proverbial major motion picture (starring Tom Hanks, yet!). Paulette Jiles' News of the World is the next selection of our Book Club (open to all). Read it if you can, or just absorb the commentary at Carol Elizondo's October 6th! More info soon!



SEUSSICAL The Musical

Over at DVC just about the whole Grant Street Players crew is involved with Suessical the Musical, based, as you probably have figured, on the irresistible stories of Dr.Seuss. Our own Victor Meneses is "toplining" as we say in the biz, as Horton (as in "...hears a Who") and you'll see Eva Li, Katie Hall, George Kline, and Alijah Carter onstage as well. It runs weekends October 18 thru November 3 *however* there is a movement afoot (hello Chris Piazza!) to do a St. Mike's/St. John's Sunday matinee during the run so we can all see it together. The details are still being worked out, stay tuned again!



HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH RETREAT

October 21-23rd at San Damiano

October 21-23 is the Women's retreat for our churches although if you are not a woman you won't be barred, they're not that demanding. It's at the beautiful San Damiano retreat up in the hills of Danville, check with Rev. Amanda this weekend if you're thinking of joining in!



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