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### Napa prosecutor doubles as a clergyman at idyllic church

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By Marsha Dorgan, Register Staff Writer

It's hard to answer to one boss, let alone two. Especially if one of those bosses is God.

But Napan Mike Mautner has been doing just that for several years, and wouldn't have it any other way.

Mautner, 42, has been a Napa County deputy district attorney since 2001 and the rector of St. Stephen's Church off Highway 29, south of Oakville, for close to six years.

Born into the Jewish faith, Mautner had no doubt his future was to be a rabbi.

"I was born in Boston and grew up in the Jewish faith," said Mautner, whose family moved to Napa when he was a young boy. "I went to college with the complete faith of becoming a rabbi. After my first year in college, I gave up. I knew that was not what God wanted me to do. It was a very painful walk down the path of life for me. I just really don't know how I knew, I just knew. It was a religious experience, and it hurt."

At that point, in 1985, Mautner abandoned the idea of "divine service" and set his sights on a law career.

In that respect, the apple didn't fall far from the tree. Mautner's father, Jerry Mautner, was the elected Napa County District Attorney from 1983 to 1990.

"My dad was a prosecutor," Mautner said. "That was all I knew about the law. Beginning when I was 9 years old, every summer, I would go to court with him and hear him argue for victim's rights. For me it was an easy, natural and rewarding way to

make a living. Although a lot has happened to me in my life, as far as choices, I have never been sorry I became an attorney."

After reluctantly giving up his hopes of becoming a rabbi, Mautner enrolled in the University of California, Berkeley in 1984 and from there went to law school at California Western School of Law in San Diego. He graduated in 1991 and passed the bar the next year. (Continued on page 2)



Mike Mautner is a deputy district attorney and a priest at St. Stevens Church on Oakville Grade  
(Lianne Milton/Register)

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Mautner immediately followed in his father's footsteps and took a job as a prosecutor with the Yolo County District Attorney's Office. From there, he worked a short stint at the Sonoma County District Attorney's Office, but soon returned to Yolo County.

Mautner then turned to probate law, working for a private Sonoma law firm and eventually operating his own practice in Napa from 1997 to 1999.

It was then, Mautner, an weekend thespian, met his wife, Kerry. The couple met while performing in a Dreamweavers Theater production of "Harvey."

"We got married, and she convinced me to go to the seminary," Mautner said. "I listened.

"Once again I found the Lord, and he found me. It was 1992," he said. "In 1993, I left my Jewish faith to be baptized as a Christian. I was very involved with St. Stephen's Church."

After he and Kerry married, Mautner put his law career on hold to devote his energy full time to his religious calling. He went to St. Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College in Berkeley from 1999 to 2001 and was ordained in 2002.

When learning there was a "little Mautner" on the way, Mautner made the decision to bring his law skills out of retirement. While continuing his seminary studies, he accepted a job in 2001 as a deputy district attorney under Napa County District Attorney Gary Lieberstein.

And who had hired Lieberstein in Napa? Jerry Mautner.

"His father hired me and I hired his son. I don't think Mike's two callings interfere with one another. They both live by the golden rule," Lieberstein said. "Mike brings a sense of calm to the

hard and sometimes emotional work we do. His colleagues are drawn to him, and he is always willing to help anyone anytime."

Napa County Superior Court Judge Mark Boessenecker has worked with Mautner since 2004, when Boessenecker was the county's chief deputy district attorney.

"Mike is bright, hard working and extremely conscientious," he said. "I think he does an excellent job meshing his two careers. Both of them require a significant amount of commitment and both can be very emotional draining jobs. Being a prosecutor should involve the highest ethics, and Mike brings that to the job."

Mautner said meshing his two careers is not too difficult.

"I pull from each of them. As a prosecutor I face daily the consequences of the fall of man, but so did Christ. I never talk about my pending cases to my congregation, but as prosecutor I find them very instructional when preparing my sermons," Mautner said.

Mautner admits he most likely will not be able to pull his double shift forever.

"I have done funerals and given last rites on my lunch hour," he said. "I gave a very good friend last rites the night of the day of my first felony trial. I know something will have to give someday. I couldn't have done it this long without the support of my wife and three kids. And until the recent of appointment of Rev. James Prudhomme as my assistant, I performed all the church duties myself."

"I guess when the time comes for me to make a choice, I will let God make that decision for me and go from there," he said. "Even if I am no longer a rector, I will always be a priest."

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## 2009 Summer Youth Retreat

The Summer Youth Retreat will be held from Sunday afternoon, June 21, through Friday mid-morning, June 26, at the Community of the Great Commission east-northeast of Auburn, California. The site is a beautiful spot in the Sierra Nevada Mountains at about 4000 feet in elevation.

If you would like to have applications or more information, or if you are interested in helping with the camp, contact Fr. Robert Davis at St. Luke's, 530-223-0513 or [rector@stlukesredding.org](mailto:rector@stlukesredding.org).

You can also see a brochure and photos of the 2008 camp (see right) at the excellent new youth web site at <http://www.anglicanyouth.com>.



## Members celebrate first Christmas in congregation-built log church

Members of the All Saints Anglican Church wanted a place of worship that fit with Wyoming history.

*By Michelle Dynes*

CHEYENNE -- Flickering candles illuminated the arched windows of the building made out of logs.

Inside a Christmas tree sparkled with white and blue lights as a tabletop Nativity Scene perched nearby. A series of wrought iron chandeliers lit the room from above. And star-shaped poinsettias lined the familiar holiday scene below.

But the sturdy timbers form a church instead of a mountain cabin.

And Wednesday evening marked a significant milestone for the All Saints Anglican Church congregation. For the first time in more than half a decade, the church members joined a Christmas Eve service in a building of their own.

For the past three years the congregation met at Sierra Hills Assisted Living Community. And for three years, a trio of volunteers worked on the log building that would become 1311 Ashford Drive.

Church member Lucille Perry said she has been a member since the congregation formed in 2001. And for years the group shuffled from one temporary location to the next. Perry said it was wonderful to commemorate the holiday in a permanent spot at last.

Father Richard Andrews said the church members wanted a home that reflected Wyoming's history. So volunteers devoted hours of their time to lift each log into place. The process was similar to stacking toy Lincoln Logs into a miniaturized home.

Only this building had to be large enough to accommodate 50 people.

But the three-year wait was worth it, Andrews said.

"The results of hard labor can be really beautiful," he added.



*The Rev. Richard Andrews preaches to his congregation on Christmas Eve at the All Saints Anglican church. Aron Ontiveroz/Wyoming tribune Eagle staff*

Father Jeffrey Smith spent countless weekends learning construction from a log cabin kit. And while he handed over leadership of the congregation to Andrews Dec. 7, he hopes that Christmas Eve participants "enjoy and honor the feast of our Lord's Nativity in a very rustic setting."

It may have been an extensive project, but the building offers something unique that still fits well into the surrounding landscape, he added.

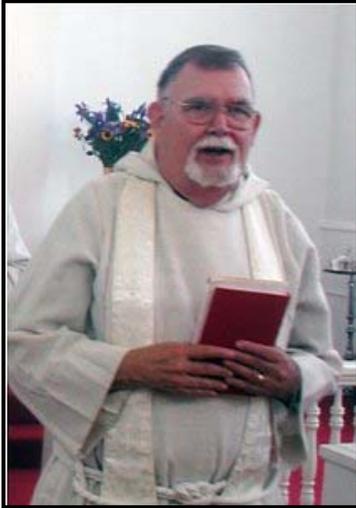
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*Archbishop Provence dedicates the new church.*

## Province Retreat at St. Dorothy's Rest

The Retreat at St. Dorothy's Rest, near Sebastopol, California, will be held the weekend of March 6-8 this year. The Retreat will feature meditations led by Canon David Rodier of Christ Church, Carefree, Arizona.



Open to both laity and clergy, the retreat weekend is a wonderful time to meditate, pray, read, and learn in the beautiful surroundings.

To register for the Retreat, call 510-841-3083 or mail Retreat c/o St. Joseph of Arimathea, P.O. Box 40020, Berkeley, CA 94704. The cost of the Retreat is \$138 per participant and can be paid in cash or check upon arrival at St. Dorothy's Rest.



*The chapel at St. Dorothy's Rest is a peaceful setting for private prayer as well as for the Daily Offices and clergy-led meditations.*

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## 2009 Summer Family Camp

Family Camp will be held again this year at Patrick's Point State Park on the California coast near the Oregon border, July 9-12, 2009.

Abby & Jon Tomlinson would greatly appreciate it if your family could let them know as soon as possible if you will be able to attend Family Camp. They want to make sure that all returning families have an opportunity to reserve a spot. The cost will be the same as last year. If your family will be bringing a camper, tent trailer, or RV, please let them know so they can plan accordingly. Email Abby and Jon at [jt0968@yahoo.com](mailto:jt0968@yahoo.com).



# Jacqueline LaVerne Kasun † (May 17, 1924 – January 1, 2009)

By The Rev. Robert Davis



Jackie Kasun, the nationally noted economist, internationally influential pro-life leader, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and member of Arcata's Church of the Holy Family, died on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Family, friends, former colleagues and

students, area community leaders and representatives from local Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox and Evangelical churches were gathered on the Feast of the Epiphany for a Requiem Eucharist at Arcata's First Baptist Church on the campus of Humboldt State University. The Rev. Robert T. Davis, Rector of St. Luke's, Redding, and priest in charge of Holy Family, Arcata, presided and preached.

Jacqueline LaVerne Rorabeck was born in Los Angeles in 1924. At sixteen, she graduated from Alhambra High School, accepting a scholarship to the University of California at Los Angeles. She received her B.A., Phi Beta Kappa with Honors, in Economics in February, 1945, from the University of California at Berkeley. Immediately upon graduation, she enlisted in the United States Army, and served until the fall of 1946 in a medical detachment in Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Upon leaving the WAC, she entered Columbia University, where she studied for two years, working as a graduate teaching assistant, earning a master's degree, and passing the qualifying examinations for the Ph.D. After leaving Columbia in 1947, she worked as a research economist for Standard Oil of New Jersey in New York City. In 1949, she returned to California to teach economics at Pomona College and start her Ph.D. dissertation. In 1950, she married Capt. Joseph F. Kasun, and started a research position for the Haynes Foundation in

Los Angeles, which led to the book that became her doctoral dissertation. Following her husband's military career around the world, she held teaching positions at Pomona College, the University of Maryland in Heidelberg and Berlin, Germany, Park University, University of Arizona, California State University at Fullerton, and Humboldt State University, where she was Emeritus Professor of Economics. Her writings have appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Public Interest* and numerous other publications. Her book *The War Against Population* was published by Ignatius Press in 1988, appeared in a second edition in 1999, and was later published in two foreign languages. It received an award for excellence from the American Library Association. She has appeared on CBS's "60 Minutes" and on ABC's "Nightline." Having testified before U.S. Senate committees, made major speeches and represented pro-life and pro-family organizations around the world, the devout Catholic Anglican co-founded Humboldt Pro-Life in 1972, represented pro-life/ pro-family organizations at the national level with others including Archbishop Morse and was a founding member of Arcata's Church of the Holy Family.

As one who advised the Vatican on world population issues, whose economics expertise was sought by those of our nation's political leaders, who was a consultant to local environmentalists, and who just days before her death was invited to keynote an international pro-life conference in Papua New Guinea, Jackie knew that history has demonstrated that the gift of life at all its stages is a human issue to which only the Church can competently, completely and consistently respond.

Jacqueline is survived by her husband of 59 years and fellow former educator, LTC (U.S. Army Ret.) Joseph Frank Kasun, three married children, daughter The Hon. Christine Kasun Moruza (a California Superior Court judge in the Bay Area), daughter Audrey Kasun Moruza (an economist who works for the State of Virginia), and son LCDR (U.S. Navy Ret.) Walter Kasun, as well as ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## **Christus Rex Survey**

*During 2008 all of the following types of articles were published in Christus Rex. Let us know what you would like to see in future issues of Christus Rex, especially if you would like more or less of any of these types of articles.*

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- Parishioner Profiles
- Clergy Profiles
- Parish Church Profiles

### Articles about regular Province events:

- Summer Youth Retreat
- Family Camp
- St. Dorothy's Rest Retreat
- Diocesan Synods
- Junior Writers Program

### Articles about Special events, such as:

- Church consecrations
- Ordinations
- Clergy transitions (marriages, transfers, etc.)
- ACW Award to Nancy Morse
- 1559 Wedding at the parish of Christ the King

### Articles about province programs, such as:

- St. Joseph of Arimathea Seminary
- Deacon' Home Study Program

### Informative/inspirational articles, such as:

- "We are Soldiers in the Army of Christ" sermon by Fr. Russell
- Feast of Christ the King by Fr. Pomroy
- Fr. Ashman's experience in L.A. train wreck
- Book reviews, suggested reading, etc.

### News of parishes:

- Articles about parish outreach and fund raising events that might be adapted by others
- Articles about parish events, such as summer events, vacation Bible school, etc.
- Articles about parish Baptisms
- Articles about parish Confirmations

### Regular features:

- Calendar in each issue
- Photo(s) with every article where possible

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## **Calendar of Events**

Mark your 2009 calendars for these events:

- ❖ March 6-8, 2009 – Spring Retreat at St. Dorothy's Rest near Sebastopol, CA.
- ❖ May 7-9, 2009 – Diocese of the Western States Synod hosted by St. Peter's Church, Oakland, CA.
- ❖ June 21-26, 2009 – Summer Youth Retreat
- ❖ July 9-12, 2009 – Family Camp at Patrick's Point State Park on the California coast near the Oregon border.

## **Episcopal Visitation at St. Luke's**

Archbishop Provence marked the first anniversary of his enthronement as Archbishop of the Anglican Province of Christ the King on Sunday, January 25, at St. Luke's Church in Redding, CA.

The 9:30 AM service began at the entrance to the Nave with two Baptisms before processing to the Chancel for four Confirmations and five formal Receptions into the Province, one of whom was a childhood parishioner at St. Elizabeth's Church in South San Francisco during the 1950s under her beloved priest, then Fr. Robert Sherwood Morse (now Archbishop Emeritus of the APCK). Archbishop Provence then preached and celebrated the Holy Sacrifice, while the Rector, Fr. Robert Davis, presented candidates and served as Gospeller. An overflow crowd spilled into the Narthex and down the hallway that leads toward the Parish Hall. The Archbishop's well-received appearance was noted in Redding's Record-Searchlight newspaper.

A festive reception, which filled the Parish Hall and the lawn behind it, immediately followed, where parishioners had the opportunity to meet, greet and visit with the Archbishop.

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