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St. Simeon Skete

Located in the town of Taylorsville, Kentucky, about thirty miles southeast of Louisville, is St. Simeon Skete, the newest work of Nazareth House Apostolate and the Anglican Province of Christ the King.



Located in Taylorsville, Kentucky, near Louisville, St. Simeon Skete is a tranquil setting for living in prayer. (Photo courtesy of and copyright by Nazareth House Apostolate.)

Overlooking lush forest and tranquil Taylorsville Lake, St. Simeon Skete is designed for a deepening of the spiritual life of both clergy and laity using the practices unique to skete life. Those practices bring together the discipline of the isolated hermit praying alone and the monastic life of monks and nuns praying in community.

Those coming to St. Simeon will find the day structured around Morning and Evening Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer and the daily Mass. The remainder of the day includes ample

time for silent prayer and meditation, either in one's room, in the chapel or hiking through the lush forest. The evening meal is taken in community and the day ends with the Office of Compline. Books and other aids to prayer are available in the skete bookstore.

Archbishop Provence says, "The APCK has done a good job in the academic preparation of men for ordination but, apart from those who are in residence at the seminary for the two-year curriculum, we have not had the wherewithal to adequately develop the interior life of postulants. I believe that St. Simeon Skete will address this deficiency."

St. Simeon Skete is open to lay members as well, with the approval of their parish priest. Father Seraphim warns that this is not a place for a "spiritual vacation", but for hard work that deepens one's prayer life bringing you closer to God.

Anyone interested in learning more about St. Simeon Skete can find it on the Nazareth House Apostolate website at <http://www.nazarethhouseap.org>



St. Simeon, known as the God Receiver, spent most of his life in the temple after an angel foretold that he would see the Christ child.

He was present when Jesus was brought into the temple as an infant (Luke 2:25-32).

The Rev. Paul D. Hauge Golden Jubilee



The Rev. Paul Duane Hauge celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the sacred priesthood on the Feast of Christ the King at St. Peter's Church, Oakland, CA. Fr. Hauge was ordained on Oct. 29, 2010, at the age of twenty-nine at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Garden City, NY, by Bp. James DeWolfe, Bishop of Long Island.

Minnesota at Minneapolis and attended Gethsemane Episcopal Church. The Assistant Priest, Fr. James Harkins "had some influence on my becoming a priest," Fr. Hauge said. After two years, Fr. Hauge transferred to Macalester College, Saint Paul, MN, where he earned his B.A. in classical languages. He earned a Master of Divinity degree in 1960 at Nashotah House seminary, WI, and a Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.) in 1978 at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA.



The year before he was ordained, Fr. Hauge served in the British Virgin Islands delivering the sacraments to parishioners on horseback.

After his ordination, Fr. Hauge served as Vicar of St. Alban's in Brooklyn and later as Assistant Priest at St. Ann's.

After ten years in the priesthood, Fr. Hauge took a "sabbatical" and studied library science at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. Subsequently he worked as a librarian for a law firm and later for the American Bible Society in New York City assisting in Bible translations.

In 1973 he was back in California serving as an assistant priest at Grace Cathedral and visiting priest at a mission church in Half Moon Bay. In 1975 he became Vicar of Holy Family Church in Half Moon Bay, where he served for nine years.

Fr. Hauge left the Episcopal Church and joined APCK after meeting with Abp. Morse. He became Assistant Priest at St. Peter's in 1998.

Much loved by his present and past parishioners, Fr. Hauge is affectionately known by all as Fr. Paul. He has most generously contributed his time, talent, and treasure to many churches.



Fr. Hauge is on the left beside Bp. DeWolfe.

Fr. Hauge was led to the ministry because, as he said, "It was the one consistent thing in my life." Born on the White Earth Indian Reservation in northwestern Minnesota, Fr. Hauge is one-fourth Onondoga. Until he was ten he lived on the reservation where the only church was the Episcopal church of St. Columba.

In 1952 he enrolled at the University of



Organ at St. Alban's (Fr. Paul's first church) built by a parishioner and Fr. Paul. Fr. Paul said that he played the organ at the beginning of the service and then conducted the mass.

Fr. Peter Hansen Celebrates Silver Jubilee

The Rev. Peter Hansen was ordained priest on September 28, 1985, by Abp. Robert Sherwood Morse in Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Carmichael, CA, while he was serving Church of the Holy Trinity in Sacramento, CA.

Fr. Hansen was born May 22, 1949, in Altadena, CA, and grew up in southern California. He moved north to attend the University of California at Berkeley where he received a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1972.

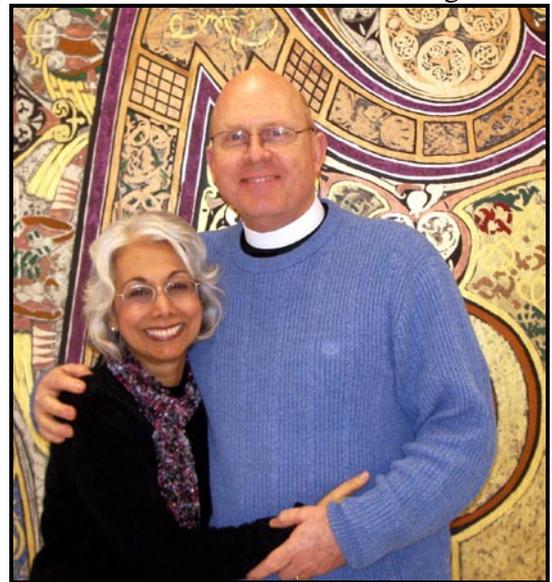
He worked for several industrial contracting companies in the Bay area through 1991 and was Vice President of his last company.

During this period he also attended St. Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College from 1980 to 1985 and graduated with the Bachelor of Divinity degree.

Fr. Hansen was the founding vicar (as a seminarian-in-charge), then Deacon in Charge, Priest in Charge, and Rector of Holy Trinity, Church, Sacramento, CA, from 1981 to 1991.

In September of 1991, he became Rector of St. Augustine of Canterbury, Chico, CA, where he serves today.

In 2006 the church opened Augie's Fine Coffee & Tea Café in a wing of the church on the corner of 3rd and Salem Streets. Augie's is an outreach to the Chico community, including nearby Chico State University. Profits from the café go to Chico-based charities. Music and songs written by Fr. Hansen can sometimes be heard at Augie's.



Fr. Hansen and his wife Giti standing before some of the Celtic art that adorns the interior of Augie's.

Archbishop's Visitation to St Luke's

By The Rev. Jeffrey Smith

Archbishop Provence had his work cut out when he visited St. Luke's in Redding, CA, on the weekend of September 25-26. He arrived on Saturday evening just in time for Evening Prayer and a parish supper. On Sunday he performed the Groundbreaking for the congregation's new church building, the Institution of The Rev. Jeffrey Smith as the new Rector, and the Confirmation of six new members. Then he preached and celebrated Mass.



The new church building, which was designed while The Rev. Robert Davis was Rector, will have twice the floor space for worship as the present facility. The new facility, which was purchased and donated to the parish by Emmett and Florence Baugh, will be used for Sunday school, a church office, and social functions.

Golden Jubilee for Dcn. Donald DeCoss

The Rev. Mr. Donald A. DeCoss celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his ordination in December. He was ordained on December 24, 1960, by Bp. James Pike at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. Dcn. DeCoss served in several Episcopal churches in the bay area until 1989 when he came to St. Peter's, Oakland, CA, and he has served with distinction ever since.

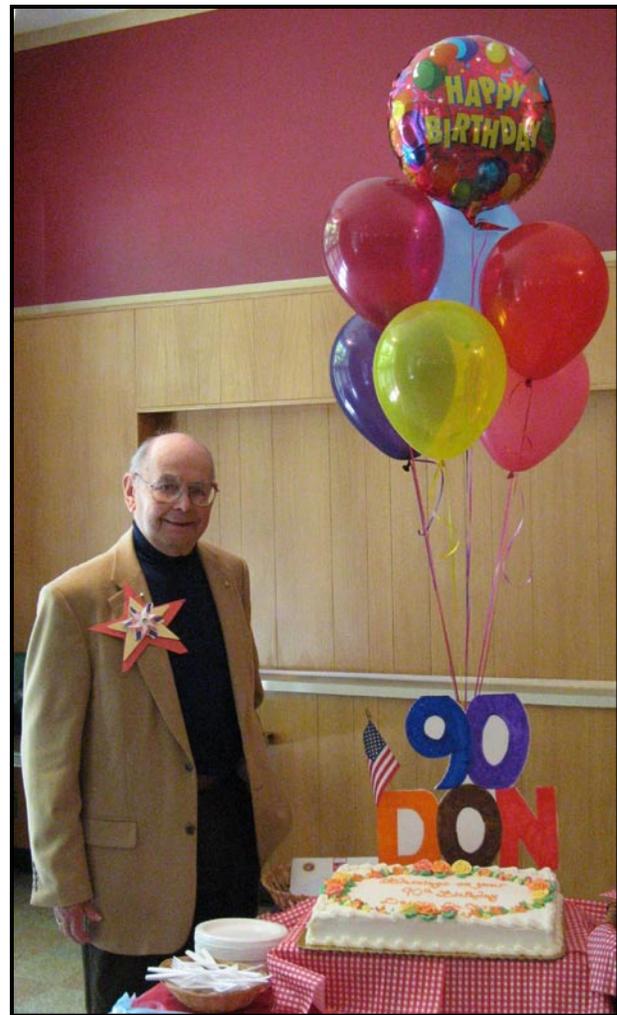


Dcn. DeCoss was born June 24, 1920, in Oakland, CA, where he grew up. He began working for Wells Fargo Bank in 1937 as a messenger. In 1938 he became an Audit Clerk.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1946 participating in the liberation of the Philippines and the occupation of Japan as well as other operations in the Pacific. After the war, he returned to work at the bank and took courses at Golden Gate College.

Dcn. DeCoss worked for Wells Fargo Bank from 1937 to 1985, mostly in various auditor positions, until he retired as Vice President and Assistant Corporate Secretary.

These days Dcn. DeCoss and his wife Cathy are often found aboard cruise ships, which the Deacon says are much more comfortable than troop ships were.



Dcn. DeCoss celebrated his 90th birthday at St. Peter's, Oakland, in June.

DWS ACW Fundraiser: Synod 2011

The Diocese of the Western States Diocesan ACW is busily preparing fundraisers for the coming Diocesan Synod this May 18-20.

This year the ACW will be offering for the first time a Scrapbook, with pages from each parish showing what life is like for that part of Christ's family.

The original copy of the scrapbook will be raffled off and reproductions in the form of booklets will also be on sale during Synod. Proceeds from

this fundraiser will benefit the diocesan ACW and its activities.

The ACW will also be holding a silent auction called "Festival of Talents." Many items will be up for silent auction including works of folk and fine art, group projects, themed gift boxes, and baskets. Open bid sheets will be used for this year's special items for sale.

Proceeds from the Festival of Talents will go to support St. David's Annual Youth Retreat.

New Beginnings

By The Rev. Donald Ashman

The Church of Our Saviour and the Holy Apostles marked a momentous day in its history on the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity, November 14, 2010 for the bishop's visitation, confirmation and the ordination of Mr. Boyd R. Britton to the Sacred Order of Deacons.



Ninety-three people were present to witness Archbishop Provence confirm Shelby Lynn Detweiler, Ryan James Detweiler, Isabella Marie Taglioretti, Carlo Gianni Taglioretti, and Mr. Trevor Grosso.

The curate preached the ordination sermon and the rector presented the candidate and chanted the Litany for Ordinations. Then, after the Epistle, Mr. Britton took his vows, was made a Deacon by the Archbishop and sang the Gospel. The Solemn Pontifical Mass that followed was sung with Gregorian melody and Mrs. Georgetta Psaros Muresan sang *Panis Angelicus* and other motets.

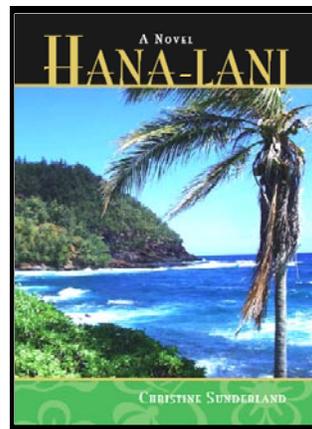
There followed a sumptuous luncheon of poached salmon, stuffed turkey, casseroles,



enchiladas and a huge assortment of side dishes and desserts. Archbishop Provence summed up the joy of the day when he observed that this parish is a happy parish. The Reverend Mr. Britton will join the rector, Fr. Ashman, and the curate, Fr. Greene, to serve this parish which Bishop Morse so aptly named Fort Defiance so many years ago.

Province Author Has New Novel

Christine Sunderland's fourth novel, *Hana-lani*, has just been released by OakTara Publishers. Set in rural Hawaii, *Hana-lani* is a poignant journey examining the American culture of self and exploring the importance of history, family, faith, and love.



Christine is a member of St. Peter's Anglican Church in Oakland, CA. She serves as Church Schools Director for the APCK as well as Vice President of the American Church Union (ACU), the provincial publishing house.

You can preview *Hana-lani* at <http://www.christinesunderland.com/>.

Cathedral Parish of Christ the King Hosts Lecture on Islam

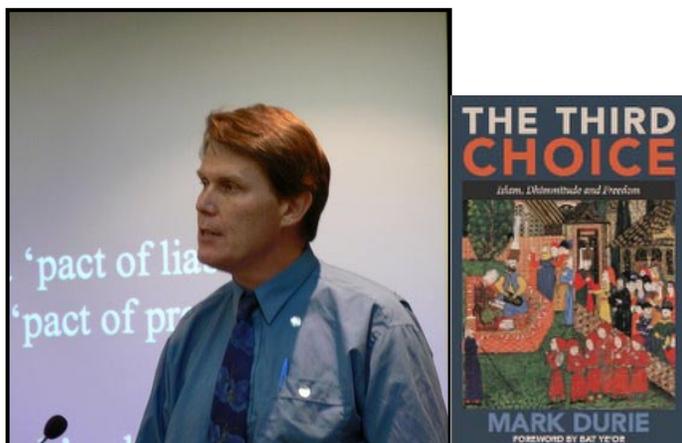
By The Rev. Dr. Paul Russell

On Monday, January 17th, the Cathedral Parish of Christ the King in Washington, DC, hosted a lecture on “Muslims, Citizenship and Society”. The Rev. Dr. Mark Durie, vicar of St Mary's Anglican Church in Caulfield, Victoria, Australia, and formerly Chairman of the Linguistics Department at the University of Melbourne, spoke for 40 minutes on the history of Islam and how it forms its adherents for citizenship in both Muslim and non-Muslim countries. Given the current state of relations between the Muslim and non-Muslim worlds and between Muslim and non-Muslim people, it is difficult to imagine a topic more appropriate to our times, combining religious and worldly concerns. The level of interest of those present was clear since they kept him for 40 additional minutes, answering their questions after he had finished his initial remarks. The discussion continued downstairs in the church hall afterwards.

Dr. Durie has written three books on Islam: *The Third Choice: Islam, Dhimmitude and Freedom; Revelation: Do we worship the same God?* and *Liberty to the Captives*. Copies of all three were available after the lecture for purchase and signing while the audience enjoyed refreshments.

Much of the study of Islam available in the West is purely historical and focused on the first few decades of Muslim history and the period of the Crusades. Most of the rest addresses only Islam in the Arab world. Dr. Durie's treatment is particularly interesting since it springs from his first-hand exposure to Islam in Indonesia during field work that was part of his research as a scholar of the Achenese language in Indonesia. This allowed him to speak to the local people directly and to see Islam in their own words and in their daily lives. His insight into Islam as it is lived and taught is a valuable addition to our knowledge of this important rival to Christianity.

Parish groups that are interested in undertaking some study of Islam might well consider making use of one of Dr. Durie's works. The most obvious one with which to start would be *The Third Choice*, shown above. In our age of world-wide travel and interconnection, all of us need to understand the people around us so we can communicate to them the Gospel and interact with them intelligently and charitably. Prof. Durie's work provides us with another tool for those purposes.



St. Stephen the Martyr Anglican Church



Deacon Reno, Archbishop Provence, Fr. Ponec

On December 14th, Archbishop James E. Provence ordained Mr. Ron Reno to the Sacred Order of Deacons. The Rev. Mr. Reno was surrounded by family and friends from Nebraska,

Iowa, and Kansas for the solemn high mass. He is store manager for Keystone Home Health Care and will serve as assisting deacon to Fr. Robert Ponec, Vicar of St. Stephen the Martyr, Sioux City, IA.

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