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### Lay Reader's Medal



The Council of Bishops of the Province held its spring meeting at All Saints Anglican Cathedral in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The bishops meet regularly to discuss matters relating to the operation and continued development of the province. The primary topic at this meeting was the education of postulants for Holy Orders. Archbishop Provence brought samples of an altar guild pin and a lay reader's medal for the bishops to see. The medal may be adopted by a bishop for use in his diocese as a means of recognizing those lay readers who have met certain requirements. A lay reader must have a current Lay Reader's License from his bishop in order to conduct public worship.

The Lay Reader's medal was designed by Canon Peter Hansen and Monty Stanford. ✝

### Parish Easter Traditions



Some parishes include the flowering of the cross in their Easter service, as shown by the flowered cross from St. Charles, King and Martyr, Huntsville, Alabama.

Perhaps the most dramatic Easter tradition is the Dove Release tradition at The Church of Our Savior in Los Angeles.



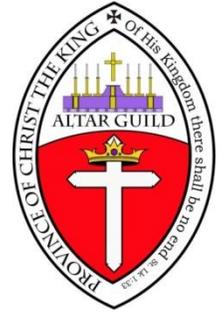
At St. Peter's, Oakland, California, the Church School flowers the cross.

The Easter service is also a time at some parishes when Mite Boxes filled during Lent are collected. ✝

## New Altar Guild Pins

A new lapel pin for members of parish Altar Guilds is available from the Provincial office.

The Altar Guild of each parish or mission decides who is a member and who is authorized to receive the pin. An Altar Guild Manual is available from the American Church Union.



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## Seminary Online Courses for Spring/Summer, 2015

Our Province's seminary, Saint Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College, will again offer online lecture courses for interested clergy and laity this summer. For this term, all lectures will be pre-recorded and then posted on either YouTube or Vimeo (commercial-free) before the time listed. We are adding this Spring/Summer term in order to help postulants complete their necessary subjects sooner by making them available throughout the year. Both classes are designed for postulants preparing for canonical exams as well as clergy who have not had a formal course in these subjects. But they will also work well for clergy seeking a refresher and for laity who want an introduction to these two important areas of Church history and Biblical studies. Knowledge of the first half of Church history is essential to any traditional practice of Christianity. And a good introduction to St Paul's life and thought can shed light on what many who attempt to read the Epistles consider a dark thicket.

The fee for those taking General Church History with written assignments is \$250. For those taking An Introduction to St Paul, it is \$225. The fee to audit either course is \$50.

Sign up for either or both courses and receive your instructions for tuning in from Fr. Jeffrey Smith by sending an e-mail to: [frjeff1@qwestoffice.net](mailto:frjeff1@qwestoffice.net)

Please send your fees directly to St Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Theological College, P.O. Box 40020, Berkeley, CA, 94704.

### General Church History to 1300

*The Rev'd. Jeffrey Smith, St Luke's, Redding, CA*

Lectures available by Wednesday evenings

This fourteen-week course explains the common heritage of all Christians practicing the the Faith today. The textbook for the course is Everett Ferguson's *Church History, Volume I: From Christ to the Pre-Reformation*. Begins April 22 and ends August 5 with a two-week break in the summer.

### An Introduction to the Life and Epistles of St Paul

*The Rev'd. Dr Paul Russell, Washington, D.C.*

Lectures available by Thursday evenings

This twelve-week course will provide a solid foundation for understanding both St Paul's missionary activities in The Acts of the Apostles and his presentation and application of the Gospel in his Epistles. The textbook is F.F. Bruce's *Apostle of the Heart Set Free*. Begins April 23 and ends July 9.

## APCK Lenten Retreat

For the first time in several years the APCK sponsored a Lenten Retreat. This year the Retreat was held March 6-8 at the Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park, CA. Five clergy and 14 laity attended. ✠



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