

## The Communicator March 5, 2024



Sunday, March 3, **Santiago (Santi) Adrian Hernández Diaz**, joined **Erika Carey de Mayen** and Jorge Bredee as our new and youngest acolyte. All three were vested in beautiful new vestments gifted to the church by **Judy Frothingham**. **Kristen and Marisela Lathrop** from the SMAAA altar guild are assisting in Santi's formation as an acolyte. On Easter, March 31, Santi will be baptized. His parents, **Onagh Ash** and I are inviting all of you to stay after church on Easter for a *comida* of gratitude.

We also celebrate the completion of the roof for Caminando Unidos. A special thanks to **Charlie Detweiler** for his perseverance in getting this done and to Suzie Brown (visitor from Florida with her hearing dog Jeff) who gave the seed money that led us to do this very important outreach work. To each of you who contributed to the roof, thank you. Some gave 50 pesos, some gave 20,000 pesos; it was all needed and all much appreciated. What a difference this will make during the rainy season in the lives of the young people who study at Caminando! Well Done All!!! Suzie also has



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good news that she was approved for cochlear implants at the Mayo Clinic. It will delay her time to be with us but will hopefully make a nearly miraculous difference in her life. It is an answer to prayer.

The Library now has open hours after church on the first Sunday of each month. It was well-received by several youngsters and according to Eugene Hoekendorf, even resulted in a new member!

The planning meeting for our Pastoral Care Ministry, headed by **Pat Manners**, will be this Thursday at 1PM (immediately following yoga). If you have an interest in learning about this exciting new ministry, please join us for the meeting. Father Doug will be with us as we forge forward trying to meet the needs of our congregation with love and assistance.

Our choir seemed to be in force last Sunday. Ten voices! You all sound great. I have asked Isabel to send a weekly message if the choir wishes to have any news in The Communicator.

Last Wednesday's lecture with **Terry Elizondo** was very well-attended. Terry and the new director of Nuestra Cabaña, **Marta Irene Concha**, did a beautiful job teaching us all about what the newly re-opened and very impressive Cabaña World Center offers to our community as well as instructing us on its long history. I just wish **Harriet Edmond** could have been there to hear fond memories of her being shared.



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We are honored to announce that the next lecture in our 2024 Series, “Get to Know Your Neighbor,” will feature Pulitzer Prize winning journalist **John Mitchell!!** John and his wife, **Gail**, are frequent attendees of SMAAA. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 13, 4PM. Refreshments will follow the lecture.

Jim Papp’s funeral will be held Sunday, March 25, 9AM at the Anglican Church of Alpuyecá, San Pablo, Miguel Hidalgo 8, Centro, Alpuyecá, Morelos. A reception will follow immediately after the service at the home of Jim and Roberto in Xochitepec.



Our Community lost another wonderful member this week. **Juli-Lynne Charlot**, 101, resident of Tepoztlan, is remembered by all who knew her as full of the joy of living, and as one who lived a life larger than life itself. Creator of the famous Poodle Skirt was only part of Juli-Lynne’s claim to fame. Juli-Lynne’s obituary in the NYT’s captures the essence of this remarkable woman. While not a member of our church but while still mobile, Juli-Lynne attended many, many events at SMAAA. A **Celebration of Juli-Lynne’s life will be held at her home in Tepoztlan this Sunday afternoon, March 10, 2PM. We are arranging for carpools (and hopefully Charlie Goff’s big van) from the church immediately after services this Sunday.**

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Anyone wishing to attend should be at the church for a 1PM departure. We are asking everyone to bring food or drinks to share.

Thursday's "Yoga with Ann," 11-12:30, fills the parish hall each class



and is becoming a community of itself. **Ann and Lupita** are not only wonderful teachers, they are also role models for living well. AND...We have fun. This is the "Tree **Pose**" of last week! Check out Amanda's smile.



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Friday's Senior Club has had quite a remarkable Christ-filled week. Those of you who were in church on Sunday heard me talk about the Good Samaritan work of **Lore** and **Judy**, cheered on by the other members of that lovely WhatsApp group. What I didn't mention is that **Dr. Jose Flores**, who served as our SMAAA COVID advisor, also helped. Dr. Flores generously offered to see the poor soul for free and to help us with getting him admitted to a charity hospital. This story is one that fills me with hope for our future as we show God's love in the world and to one another. We are building a Community of love, bit by bit, day by day, one act of kindness after another.

Holy Week starts with Palm Sunday on March 24. **We will have Good Friday services at 12 noon on Friday, March 29.** Once again we will have a communal offering of flowers on Easter Sunday. If you would like to contribute funds for what we hope will be a grand display of the joy of Easter and to have your loved one's name in the Bulletin, please see me on Sunday morning or write to me through WhatsApp or email. **We will need your name and the name or names of your loved one(s). There will be a insert in the Sunday Bulletin with all names and the Easter Eucharist will be offered in the names of those who have died, those who have already had their personal Easter.**



**Reminder: Library Garage Sale, Saturday, March 16, 10-3.** If you would like to purchase a table for selling your used items please notify the library through email ([stmichaelslibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:stmichaelslibrary@yahoo.com)) or Facebook (St. Michael's Library). For all, vendors and shoppers, the library will be selling pulled pork sandwiches and Irish Coffee in honor of Saint Paddy's Day on the

**17th. For members of SMAAA Parish, we have our own table! Please bring any items you would like to donate for sale to the church - either Sunday or the morning of the Garage Sale. It helps if you put a**

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**suggested price for each item. This should be another grand community event. Remember, one man's trash is another man's treasure. Will there be treasure for you? We hope so!**

### **Week's Events!**

**Thursday**, March 7, 11-12:30 "Yoga with Ann"

**Thursday**, March 7, 1PM Pastoral Care Initial Planning Meeting

**Friday**, March 8, 10-12, Senior Club

**Sunday** Services, March 10, 10:45

Carpool to Memorial for Juli-Lynne, after services on March 10.

Vestry Meeting - **Monday**, March 11, 10AM

Spanish Class, **Monday**, March 11, 3:30-5:30PM

Lecture, John Mitchell, **Wednesday**, March 13, 4PM

**Thursday**, "Yoga with Ann", March 14, 11-12:30

**Friday**, Senior Club, March 15, 10-12.

**Saturday**, March 16, 10-3 Library Garage Sale!

**Father Doug's new phone number! Cel or WhatsApp 777-913-0331,  
Casita - 777-832-7054.**

Do you need A Directory? Please let me know?