

## The Communicator April 16, 2024

We bid a sad farewell to our **Tepoztlan Tribe** who faithfully visit us every winter and leave us shortly after Easter each year. They come to visit **Patty Hogan** but they are beloved by us too. **Carolyn Holmes, Claire**



**Whittaker, Ruth Diem and Jeffrey Slade**, thank you for choosing Saint Michael and All Angels as your “home away from home” church. And thank you Patty for helping them reach us each Sunday. What a great photo. **Hasta Enero!!!**

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**Lenise Butler** was last Sunday's reader and her boys were the bell-ringers. Thanks to all of you and to proud papa, **Raul**. You'd think we were a Cathedral with this amazing array of clergy and acolytes. Thank you **Padre Victor Hugo, Madre Naty, Jorge Bredee and Santi Adrian Hernandez Diaz** for helping out. Bit by bit **Father Doug** recuperates.

**Padre Victor Hugo and Madre Naty** enjoying a coffee with **Gabriel Vargas** and **Andrea Rogel**. Sunday, May 11, 6PM, Andrea and Gabriel will perform in a special Mother's Day concert at Saint Michael's. Father Victor Hugo explained that he wanted to offer "becas" to residents of one



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of the asilos. Only moments later, at coffee hour, we raised 1600 pesos —enough to pay for 16 tickets!!! Good job you very generous group of souls! This benefit concert, featuring the beautiful music of **Juan Gabriel and Augustin Lara**, will be a wonderful way to honor mothers while also helping San Pablo with their ongoing mission outreach — supporting the homeless in Cuernavaca. Tickets are limited. Get yours early.

Special kudos to **Isabel Graves** this week. Not only does she bring flowers each week but she's also helping to coordinate the choir and substituting in **Debbie's** absence - bringing food for the Coffee Hour. Please don't burn yourself out Isabel. Is there one among you who might take over the flowers from Isabel?

Sunday, April 28 will be **Choir Appreciation Sunday**. It will also be our last Sunday, for awhile, with **Andrea Rogel and Gabriel Vargas**. Please come and help us show our appreciation. Father Doug will host a luncheon for the choir after the service. We are hoping that past choir members will come for this well-earned celebration of the choir's valuable contribution to the musical life of SMAAA.

**Isabel Graves** shared this very short, but important and true video I have imbedded. Though less than 3 minutes long it expresses the importance of a choir in the life of a church. Do you sing? Would you



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# Serenata para mamá

Juan Gabriel, Agustín Lara, Amando Manzanero y más...

**Sábado 11 de mayo**  
**6:00pm**

Calle Minerva #7  
Col. Delicias, Cuernavaca.  
Donativo: \$100



Andrea Rogel, soprano.  
Gabriel Vargas, pianista.

A favor del proyecto social  
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like to be a part of the choir? If so, please walk upstairs and join them. No muss. No fuss. Just take a walk. You are needed. A number of choir members are currently on vacation or on leave of absence. Choir rehearsal is every Sunday before church at 9:45 and then briefly after the Hospitality Hour. Thanks Isabel for this selfie with a very thin choir. We are sure grateful to those of you who show up faithfully each Sunday.



While on the subject of music, Isabel's sister, **Yurina**, will be performing at Tanka Studio on April 27 (See poster). A number of us have heard Yurina on other occasions. She and her music are really fun! It should be an entertaining night.

Yoga with **Ann** (and **Lupita**) is really... REALLY popular. Last week Ann worked with us primarily on breathing and getting rid of stressors. We had 18 (count them) participants. My apologies for the poor quality

photographs this week but several of our excellent photographers are missing in action. Fortunately they'll be back soon. **Amanda and Pat**



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return tomorrow!!!! **Onagh Ash** is returning earlier than previously planned. We'll soon be back in business.

**Father Doug, Adrienne Socorro and Carol Hopkins** visited **Sheila Keeler** this week for a Pastoral Call. Though bedridden, Sheila was her usual happy self and loved sharing the Eucharist and prayers. She looks forward to returning to SMAAA soon. God willing we look forward to that too. We also look forward to the return of our Pastoral Care Coordinator **Pat Manners**.

The SMAAA Vestry met Monday, April 15 and approved a number of long term plans. It is their hope to raise money for the church with concerts featuring our wonderful organ and musicians in the community. **Senior Warden Judy Frothingham, Treasurer Wendy Blake and Walter Lopez** are a committee working on this outreach. So far there are two concerts scheduled. **Prof. Victor Manuel Morales** will do an organ concert and **“Joycee”** an opera teacher will do a concert featuring the talents of her students. Dates TBD. Stay tuned.



Spanish Class, Mondays, 3:30-5:30 coordinated by **Charlie Detweiler** and taught by **Ramon Ramon** is going well. We now will also be offering English classes on Mondays and Saturdays with ESL instructor **Catherine Kolodin**. Times for these classes will be announced in an addendum.

On Wednesday, 4PM, Community Room of Saint Mike's, **Jane Martin** will present this month's lecture in the "Know Your Neighbor" 2024 SMAAA Lecture Series. Jane is, of course, already well-known to us but you may be surprised to learn of her expertise in Mexican

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Regional Music! Titled “**Jarabe Tapatio Is Not A Cough Syrup**” we’re looking forward to learning about this interesting facet of Jane’s life. The lecture will be moderated by Pulitzer-Prize winning journalist **John Mitchell**. Refreshments and social time will follow.

The poster features a central image of a circus acrobat in mid-air, performing a balancing act with a hoop. The background is a dark, forest-like setting with a blue and green glow. At the top right, there is a logo for 'SALVANDO EL BOSQUE DE AGUA' showing two hands holding a water droplet. The main text reads 'ESTO ES LAST CHANCE Cocktails & Circus' in large, stylized letters. Below that, it says 'SALVEMOS AL GRAN BOSQUE DE AGUA' and provides a URL: 'bit.ly/registrolastchance'. A paragraph of text explains that the contribution is for the conservation of the Gran Bosque de Agua, a water source for 25 million people. The event is scheduled for 'JUEVES | 02.MAYO.24 | 7:00 PM' at 'EL PATIO | LAS MAÑANITAS'. The ticket price is '\$900 pp' and the registration number is '777 2627849'. At the bottom, there are logos for various organizations including FUNBA and the State of Mexico.

SALVANDO EL BOSQUE DE AGUA

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**LAST CHANCE**  
*Cocktails & Circus*

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Many of you know of my deep dedication to the **Forest of Water (Bosque del Agua)**, the source of 100% of the water consumed in Cuernavaca and threatened on every front — illegal logging, forest fires, unplanned housing, increased population, lack of education, excess warming of the environment.

This fundraiser, “**The Last Chance,**” on behalf of the Forest of Water by FUNBA, AC, is an important event and will be a fun event to raise money for many aspects of the protection of our water supply. We all must do everything we can to be good stewards of this irreplaceable resource.

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**Tom Esakin** will be back this week! **Amanda Hooten** too! And, next week they've planned the first meeting for a "Mature Lesbian/Gay Expats in Cuernavaca - Support Group". Do you know people to invite? It is an under-served community. Please spread the word.

**Community interest is being explored on the opening of a free and safe space each month for a gathering of Mature (45+ in age) Lesbian and Gay expats in Cuernavaca who wish to join together in support to discuss issues of common interest, concern, and importance to this community, including in a cross-cultural context.**

**A first gathering to explore interest in this group will be held on:**

**Date: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Time: 7-8pm**

Snacks and beverages to be provided.

**Location: The Pastoral Meeting Space at St. Mike's**

(St. Michael and All Angels Anglican / Episcopal Church, Cuernavaca.)

Address: Calle Minerva s/n, Esq. Eros, Col. Delicias, Cuernavaca (2 blocks behind WalMart Express on Rio Mayo).

*This is a 'non-religious' activity being offered as a community service of:*

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