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## Remembering Veterans



“It is the Soldier, not the minister  
Who has given us freedom of religion.  
It is the Soldier, not the reporter  
Who has given us freedom of the press.  
It is the Soldier, not the poet  
Who has given us freedom of speech.  
It is the Soldier, not the campus  
organizer  
Who has given us freedom to protest.  
It is the Soldier, not the lawyer  
Who has given us the right to a fair trial.  
It is the Soldier, not the politician  
Who has given us the right to vote.  
It is the Soldier who salutes the flag,  
Who serves beneath the flag,  
And whose coffin is draped by the flag,  
Who allows the protester to burn the  
flag.”

— Charles M. Province

World War I ended on November 11, 1918. The official Armistice took effect at “the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.” Commemorations of that event have been held ever since in many of the Allied countries, not as a celebration of the war, but in remembrance of the service and sacrifice of veterans.

Armistice Day is celebrated in the United States as Veterans Day to honor all veterans. In the British Commonwealth countries November 11 is a memorial day observed as Remembrance Day to recall armed forces members who have died in the line of duty. (In the United States Memorial Day, the last Monday of May, is for remembering those who died in the line of duty.)

There are no living veterans from World War I. But there have been many men and women who served their country in wars since World War I. Among them are many who now serve as clergy in the APCK. In this issue of Christus Rex, we honor those clergy veterans who have passed away as well as those who have served and those who are now serving.

We have tried to identify all our clergy veterans, but if we have overlooked any, we apologize and would like to hear from them. ✠

## APCK Clergy Veterans

- ★ **Dcn. Larry T Anderson**, Retired Non-parochial Deacon: Marine Corps, 5 years.
- ★ **Fr. Oliver R. L. Barrios**, Curate, St. Mary the Virgin Church, La Mesa, CA: 1LT, Army Chaplains Corps, 2012-2015.
- ★ **Fr. Boyd R. Britton**, Vicar, Church of Our Saviour, Santa Barbara, CA: SGT, Army, 1967-1970.
- ★ **Fr. David W. Cardona**, Hospice Chaplain and Social Worker: DT3, Navy, 1970-1974.
- ★ **Fr. Michael V. Church**, Priest in Charge, St. Joseph of Arimathea Anglican Catholic Parish and Vicar of St. Thomas Anglican Mission Chapel, both in Montgomery, AL: COL, Army Retired, 1970-2000.
- ★ **Fr. Charles R Dillon**, Rector, St. Stephen's Church, Oakville, CA: CAPT, Army Reserve, Medical Service Corps, 1968-1970.
- ★ **Dcn. William Hearter**, M.D., St. Nicholas Anglican Mission, Scottsdale, AZ: LCDR, U. S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, 1980-1982.
- ★ **Fr. Tom Kelnhofer**, Vicar, St. Martin of Tours Anglican Church, Concord, CA: SF/DC3, Navy, 1964-68.
- ★ **Fr. John LesCallett**, Priest-in-Charge, Atonement Anglican Mission, Fountain Hills, AZ: SSGT, Air Force, 1968-1979.
- ★ **Fr. George E. Miley**, Retired, Assisting Priest, St. Timothy's Parish (ACC), Charleston, SC: SP4, Army, 3 years.
- ★ **Dcn. Edward H. Miller**, St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Woodinville, WA: MAJ, Air Force, 21 years active duty, 4 years Air Force Reserve.
- ★ **Fr. Scott D. Mitchell**, Curate, St. Luke's Anglican Church, Redding, CA: SGT, Air Force, 4 years.
- ★ **Abp. Frederick G. Morrison**, Archbishop, Anglican Province of Christ the King: Wing Commander, Royal Air Force Chaplains Branch, 1966-1982.
- ★ **Fr. David Napier**, Retired: Navy Reserve, two years active duty aboard USS Canberra (CAG2), ten years total.
- ★ **Fr. John Pennington**, Vicar, St Paul's Anglican Church, Redmond, OR: PO3, Navy, served during Korean War.
- ★ **Fr. Robert Ponec**, Vicar, St. Stephen the Martyr Anglican Church, Sioux City, IA, and St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, Omaha, NE: SGT, Nebraska National Guard, 1972-1978.
- ★ **Fr. Peter Sandercock**, Priest-in-Charge, St. Mark's Traditional Anglican Church, Victoria, BC: Army, 2 years.
- ★ **Dcn. John Sauter**, Retired Deacon: SGT, Army, 1943-1946.
- ★ **Fr. Larry Shaddix**, Vicar, St. Joseph of Arimathea Collegiate Chapel, Berkeley, CA: PO3, Coast Guard, 6 years.
- ★ **Dcn. Paul H. Shepard, Jr.**, St. Luke's Anglican Church, Redding, CA: SGT, Marine Corps, 1966-1969.
- ★ **Dcn. George C. Specht**, Deacon-in-Charge, St. Charles, King and Martyr, Huntsville, AL: CTTCs (AC), Navy Retired, 1962-1983.
- ★ **Dcn. Peter B. Towle**, St. Timothy's Parish (ACC), Charleston, SC: Army, 1966-1969; Navy, 1980-1991.
- ★ **Dcn. Robert L. Wilson**, All Saints' Anglican Church, Bolingbrook, IL: SSGT, Air Force, 1951-1955.

## Two Navy Chaplains

Two APCK priests are currently serving in the U.S. Navy Chaplain Corps. Both began their service with Marine Corps battalions. Navy Chaplains may serve in shore-based units, aboard Navy ships, and in Marine Corps units.

With very different backgrounds, both priests felt called to serve the men and women who serve our country “in harm’s way.” Lieutenant Commander Bowen Woodruff was an environmental attorney when he was called to the priesthood. Lieutenant Daniel McGrath is a scholar of musical arts who earned his doctorate after being ordained priest. Both priests served in APCK parishes before entering the Navy.



After several deployments and a year earning a Th.M. at Princeton, LCDR Woodruff is currently serving on the staff of the Navy Chief of Chaplains as

Deputy Director of Policy and Strategy at the Pentagon. LT McGrath’s current assignment is at the US Naval Academy. LT McGrath has been selected for promotion to LCDR in 2017.

LCDR Woodruff has written of his Navy experience: “There is much I could share about my experience in the service. If I had to convey one thought it would be the constant amazement over what these young men and women do, their competence, spirit, and selflessness, and the sacrifices they make. It is humbling to serve as their chaplain.” ✕

## Veterans’ Chaplains

In addition to their parish or hospice duties, some of our clergy also serve as Chaplains to units of veterans’ organizations such as the American Legion.

For example, Fr. Tom Kelnhofer, Vicar, St. Martin of Tours Anglican Church, Concord, CA, is currently serving as a VFW Chaplain for Post 1525 Concord-Clayton, CA. Fr. Peter Sandercock, Priest-in-Charge, St. Mark’s Traditional Anglican Church, Victoria, BC, is currently Chaplain of the local Royal Canadian Legion Branch.

Dcn. Jonathan Carrothers, also at St. Mark’s, Victoria, has taken part for the past nine years in November 11<sup>th</sup> services in the Gulf Islands as a chaplain with the Royal Canadian Legion at a wreath laying service for a pilot who crashed his Hurricane on North Pender Island in 1943. ✕



## In Memoriam

Veterans of World War II are leaving us day by day including three of our clergy fondly remembered by “the remnant.”

Our first Bishop and Archbishop, Abp. Robert Sherwood Morse, enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942 and served in the Infantry Signal Corps until his discharge in 1945.

Canon Francis Read was a Captain in the Army who participated in the Battle for Kiska in 1943. Canon Read was an attorney before he took the cloth and became a leading canon lawyer. He advised parishes leaving ECUSA and was instrumental in the founding of the Diocese of Christ the King.



Canon Boardman C. Reed was an Army Air Force bomber squadron commander with the 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force in England. After World War II, he continued in the U. S. Air Force as a reservist and then on active duty during the Korean War. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel and subsequently attended seminary in Vancouver, BC. He was ordained priest in 1958 and was an active clergyman until his death.

Deacon Donald A. DeCoss proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II from 1942 to 1946, participating in the liberation of the Philippines and the occupation of Japan as well as other operations in the Pacific. He was ordained Deacon in 1960 and served in several churches, the last being St. Peter’s, Oakland, CA, from 1989 until his retirement. Deacon DeCoss was proud to wear his medals on occasions such as Veterans Day. ✠



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## All Saints William H. Jepson Award



I’m pleased to announce that after Mass on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, Michael Lindner was awarded the William H. Jepson Award (formerly the All Saints’ Shield) for his service to All Saints Anglican Church.

The Jepson Award seeks to recognize exemplary service by those who, by their efforts, have made a significant impact on the progress and well-being of the parish. There is no question that Michael’s service to All Saints as our Organist and Choirmaster meets this requirement. Michael is the first non-parishioner to receive this award.

Canon Blair W. Schultz+

*(Editor’s Note: Canon Schultz is seated due to a fracture in his foot as evidenced by the medical boot.)*

## Winter Youth Camp Announced



The Anglican Province of Christ the King is pleased to announce that the Archbishop Robert Sherwood Morse Winter Youth Camp will take place from Tuesday afternoon December 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday morning December 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Luke's Anglican Church in Redding, California. The theme of this year's Camp is "We Are The Church."

**Youth from throughout the Province are encouraged to attend.** Scholarship funds are available.

This annual event provides an individual and communal spiritual retreat and fosters a sense of community among participants. Activities include Morning and Evening Prayer, the Holy Eucharist at noon, religious instruction, question-and-answer discussion sessions, time for personal reflection, as well as indoor and outdoor recreation activities. Instructors and counselors include Bishop Donald Ashman, Father Scott Mitchell, and Retreat Manager Benjamin Lawrence. Contact Retreat Manager Benjamin Lawrence at [blaw0341@gmail.com](mailto:blaw0341@gmail.com) for application forms and more information or contact Bishop Ashman at [bishopashman@gmail.com](mailto:bishopashman@gmail.com). ✕

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## Lenten Mite Boxes

Lenten Mite Boxes have traditionally been used in the Anglican Church for many years as a way of promoting the spirit of contribution based on intent to help rather than monetary amount. Mite Boxes are distributed on Ash Wednesday, and collected on Easter Sunday, and many people empty their pockets or purses of small change daily or weekly, and put that money in the Mite Box, which makes giving relatively painless, and may represent that Lent that you have given up for Lent! As with the Widow's Mite in the Gospels, it is given from the heart and not to show how generous one is! Lenten Boxes are also a good way to teach children the principle of giving.

The Provincial Anglican Church Women introduced the first Lenten Mite Boxes to the Anglican Province of Christ the King in 1981, at the time ACW was started, at the behest of Bishop Morse. Initially, proceeds went towards college books for St Joseph of Arimathea Seminary. In the ensuing years proceeds have been used for various purposes for the Seminary. Bishop Donald Ashman has been appointed Provost of the Seminary and has requested that proceeds now go towards St. Joseph Seminary Student Support. This means that any student attending Seminary will be eligible for assistance from this fund. For this reason, it is important that churches send their contributions to the Provincial A.C.W. Lenten Chairman, rather than directly to the Seminary, as checks sent to St Joseph of Arimathea go directly into their general fund, rather than being earmarked for Student Support.

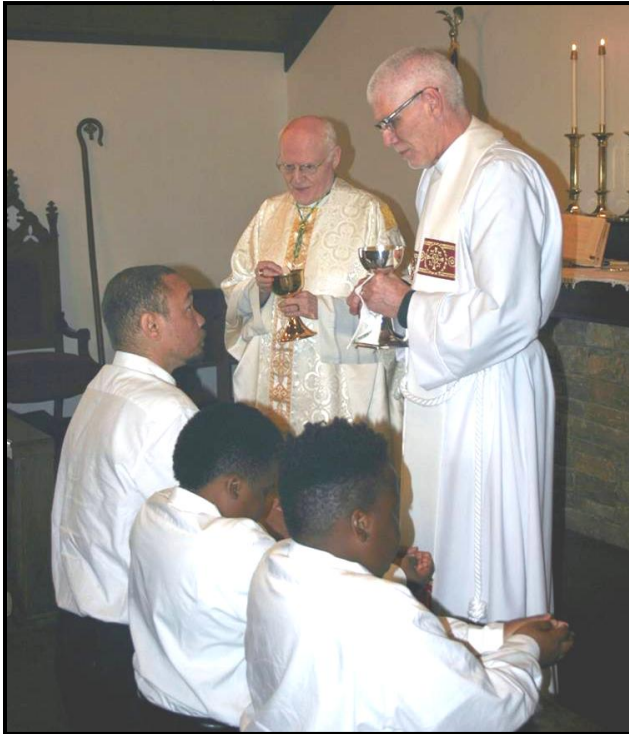
Ash Wednesday in 2017 is March 1<sup>st</sup>, and Easter is April 16<sup>th</sup>. The order forms for boxes will go out soon after Christmas, so that boxes are received by the churches in plenty of time for distribution on Ash Wednesday. Filled boxes should be received with the offerings on Easter Sunday, and churches should send their checks to the Provincial A.C.W. within two weeks.

Thank you all for participating in this project, and remember that the person receiving assistance from this fund may be from your Church.

*Gillian Golden, President, DWS ACW*

## Confirmations at the Church of the Holy Cross

On September 18<sup>th</sup> Archbishop Morrison confirmed three new members of Christ's Church and received Richard Kishur into the APCA at the Anglican Church of the Holy Cross in Oklahoma City.



From left to right are Confirmands Edric Carpenter, Samuel Foley, and Darron Foley with Abp. Morrison and Vicar Fr. Mark Williams.



From left to right: Darron Foley, Abp. Morrison, and Samuel Foley.

## Confirmations at the St. Bartholomew's

On July 3<sup>rd</sup> Bishop Ashman confirmed three new members of Christ's Church at St. Bartholomew's Church, Woodinville, WA.



*Confirmation of Michael Edgar Watt*



*Confirmation of Sean Patrick Donovan*



*Confirmation of Thomas W. Millett*

# Father Brown Instituted Rector



St Francis of  
Assisi Anglican  
Church

Diocese of the Western States  
Anglican Province of Christ the King

Fr Benjamin Brown, Rector

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity  
4 September 2016

Office of Institution of Ministers.

Institutor: The Right Reverend Donald Ashman

Congratulations to Father Benjamin Brown who has been elected and confirmed as the first Rector of Saint Francis of Assisi Anglican Church in Livermore, CA. Father Brown was instituted on September 4th, the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

In the sermon, Fr. Richard McNeely recalled the time when he and Fr. Brown were laymen starting a house church in Danville, CA, that became St. Francis church. They traded off leading Morning Prayer on most Sundays due to the shortage of priests available to say Mass for the fledgling congregation. And both laymen offered heartfelt

prayers for an increase in vocations. The Lord answered their prayers, though not in the way that they expected. Both men are now priests with their own parishes, Fr. Brown at St. Francis and Fr. McNeely at St. Thomas' in San Francisco.✠



*Bishop Ashman reads the Letter of Institution*



*Fr. Richard McNeely preaches the sermon*



*Fr. Brown (right) receives the keys to the church from the Junior Warden, Mr. Phil Maitland*

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