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## **Blessing of the Animals at San Diego Humane Society** *Celebrating Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Animals*

**What:** San Diego Humane Society and St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral are hosting a Blessing of the Animals to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and ecology. Adoptable animals will be blessed by The Very Reverend Penny Bridges, Dean of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in San Diego.

St. Francis of Assisi is remembered around the world on Oct. 4. The services will include a holy water and verbal blessing of our precious animals.

**When:** Friday, Oct. 4 at 2 p.m.

**Where:** San Diego Humane Society: 5500 Gaines St., San Diego, CA 92110



**B-roll and photos will be sent out following the blessing.**

**Suggested Tweet:** @sdhumane will host a Blessing of the Animals on Oct. 4 in celebration of the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and ecology. Adoptable animals will be blessed by The Very Reverend Penny Bridges, Dean of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral.

**About San Diego Humane Society**

San Diego Humane Society's scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses located in Escondido, Oceanside and San Diego. For more information; please visit [sdhumane.org](http://sdhumane.org).

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