

# Liturgy at Home

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## St. James' Anglican Church



Fourth Sunday of Easter – Sunday, May 3, 2020



# Welcome

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We acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy for use at home," which we hope to publish each week during this time of crisis. Although we are unable to meet together for public worship, it is essential that the Church's life of prayer and intercession continues. Those who live close to St. James' may hear the Angelus ring from the tower: this is an audible sign that the Church is praying for the parish, the DTES, the medical services, and for a swift resolution to this pandemic.

Regulations prohibit public worship with a congregation, but the Mass will continue to be offered, at least every Sunday, even though the doors are locked. The Daily Office will be said at the regular times, sometimes at home, sometimes in the (sadly) locked Church.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 10:30 am on Sunday, via Zoom, or to use this as an aid to your prayers at home, drawing strength, we hope, from the knowledge that fellow-parishioners will be praying alongside you.

The Parish Intercession Lists, which are being kept up to date, are being prayed at the Daily Office. Please make any requests to the Parish Office, [office@stjames.bc.ca](mailto:office@stjames.bc.ca), 604-685-2532.

## **A PRAYER AT THIS TIME OF COVID-19**

Blessed are you, eternal God. Source of all healing, you have given us the means by which you make your creatures whole; our presence and our skills, our understanding of your laws and our humility before the unknown, our words and our hands, medicines that soothe and cure, machines that aid our work. We give ourselves to you: empty us of all that hinders the flow of your healing Spirit. Take our hands and our lives that we may live in our image and reflect your glory.

*This was written by Jim Cotter, Anglican priest in 1990 during the AIDS epidemic.*

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Discovering the beauty of holiness in our lives and neighbourhood, by living a Christ-centred sacramental life rooted in the Anglo-Catholic tradition.

## **MISSION OBJECTIVES**

- To be a beacon for all as a neighbourhood and destination church where we invite and welcome friends, family, and strangers into our midst;
- To deepen our life of prayer and formation in Christ; To develop relationships and fellowship in open, honest, and spiritual ways among parishioners, with our neighbours, and those in need;
- To pursue and practice justice and mercy for the imparting of the Kingdom of God within and beyond the Parish;
- To strive to maintain financial equilibrium, develop our reserves, and optimize the use of our assets to ensure the preservation of our sacred space and ministry from generation to generation, to the everlasting glory of God.

# A Reflection

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*Father Kevin writes:* Reflecting on our current situation, where the vast majority of us are not able to share together in the Eucharist, there came to mind a compelling radio broadcast I listened to some thirty or more years ago. The speaker, Fr. Gonville French-Beytagh, some time Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral, Johannesburg, South Africa, was recounting his experience when in prison for his opposition to apartheid. (I can still hear his gravelly voice in my mind's ear!) He did not have the wherewithal, of course, to celebrate the Mass, but he decided to pray the service from memory as far as he could. This is what he had to say:

"I took nothing in my hands and I said, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And again I took nothing in my hands and I said, 'This is the blood of the new testament which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this as often as you shall drink it in remembrance of me.' And I'll tell you this, against all my whole teaching – as a bigoted Anglo-Catholic I suppose – it is my honest knowledge that the communions that I received in that prison cell, without the means of bread and wine, were as real and as glorious and as triumphant and as magnificent as any communion I've ever received in my own cathedral, with the organ going and incense and the bells and all the glory. Just as real and wholly as healing and as complete. That is my witness and my evidence."

From *Tree of Glory*, Gonville French-Beytagh Darton, Longman & Todd Ltd (1988)

# Zoom Worship

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For all of us, sharing in Liturgy at Home via Zoom is a new and evolving experience. We are all on a learning curve! The technology enables us, I think, to create a sense of community as together we offer our worship to God. It also has challenges and limitations.

One such challenge is that everyone's internet runs at a different speed: this means that if we try to say or sing something together with all the microphones switched on, the result is not edifying unison but a cacophony. For this reason we ask everyone to keep microphones on mute, unless one is reading. Please feel free to make the responses aloud at home, but not "on the air." Designated person(s) will make the responses on everyone's behalf.

We are exploring how we may include more music, but we have not yet discovered an effective way. We are grateful to Gerald for his commentary and links to music being circulated with *The Thurible* and on the website.

We long for the day when we shall be able to meet together for Mass in church. In the meantime we offer this Liturgy at Home in union with the clergy offering the Sunday Mass in St. James', on behalf of the parish, the DTES, and for deliverance from this pandemic.

Fr. Kevin is grateful to all who are making this Liturgy at Home possible, and for the encouraging response and helpful feedback.

# Opening Rite

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## INVOCATION

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Alleluia, Christ is Risen.

**The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## HYMN VERSE

Gerald Harder

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Like Mary at the empty tomb,  
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors,  
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room,  
we are slow to believe.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and keep us in eternal life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
+art most high in the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make us perfect in every good work to do thy will,  
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in thy sight;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Word

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## FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Acts.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

*Acts 2:42-47*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

*Psalm 23*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

*1 Peter 2:19-25*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA

Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Lord hath sent redemption unto his people.

Alleluia.

I am the good shepherd: and know my sheep and am known of mine.

Alleluia.

## THE GOSPEL READING

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

*John 10:1-10*

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## HOMILY

Fr. Kevin Hunt

## AFFIRMATION OF EASTER FAITH

Here are words you may trust.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead:

**he is our salvation, our eternal glory.**

If we die with him, we shall live with him;

**if we endure, we shall reign with him.**

If we deny him, he will deny us;

**if we are faithless, he keeps faith.**

For he has broken the power of death

**and brought life and immortality to light  
through the gospel.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant:*

To Christ, the Lamb who was slain, and who now lives in the glory of the Father,  
with joy and hope let us raise the voice of prayer.

*Reader:*

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving  
resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel,  
and for the whole Church throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

For Melissa, our Archbishop, and the clergy and people of this Diocese, let us pray to  
the Lord,

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

In the Anglican Indigenous Sacred Circle for Archbishop Mark and all Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Mishamikoweesh; and for Bishop Brent and our partner diocese of Northern Philippines, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

For the leaders of nations at this time of crisis, for the World Health Organization, and for the medical profession, at the front line and in research, let us pray to the Lord,

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That wars, famine and pandemic may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of Glory!**

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened: for Ethelwyn, Eric, Debbie, Paul Jenson, Lynann Burton, Dylan, Jim, Lyndsay, Ralph, Darlene Blair, Jim & Margaret Robertson, Cheryl Tait, Deb McMillan, Krystal Innes, Ivy Stewart, all those suffering with Covid-19, and all caught up in the shootings in Nova Scotia, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That Christ may grant us humility to serve one another in Christian love and strengthen us to help provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter. For Fr. Matthew, Deacon Joyce and the work of the Street Outreach, and for the DTES community, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That in the undying love of God we may have union with all who have died, remembering the recently departed: Daniel, Richard Boyer, Rick Cornish, Gator, William Simpson, Ada Goodman, Brian Bagley, Jean Hall, Crystal Mountain, all victims of covid-19, and all killed in the shootings in Nova Scotia.

And remembering those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Day Gee; Leonard "Mack" McFerran, bishop; Agnes Benner; Hugh Monroe; and Tim Darton.

+Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.

**And may light perpetual shine upon them.**

May they rest in peace.

**Amen.**

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross and the Paschal victory all the days of our lives, and that we may bear faithful witness to the Resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us, Lord of glory!**

*Celebrant:*

God of loving care,

thou spreadest before us the table of life,

and dost give us the cup of salvation to drink.

Keep us always in the fold of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
our Saviour and our shepherd.

**Amen.**

# Spiritual Communion

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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*As we are unable to receive the Blessed Sacrament at this time,  
meditate quietly for a moment on these words of Jesus from St. John 6:*

“I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

*Then, in union with the Body of Christ in every time and place, pray:*

O come to my heart, Lord Jesus. There is room in my heart for thee.

# Concluding Rite

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

God of steadfast love,  
watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of thy Son.  
May we who share in these holy mysteries  
come safely to your eternal kingdom,  
where there is one flock and one shepherd.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## **THE GRACE**

May God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ  
has given us the victory, give us joy and peace in our faith.

**Amen.**

May the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, +and the love of God, and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## REGINA CAELI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!  
**For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia!**

Let us pray.

O God, by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
from the dead you have brought joy to the whole world:  
grant that, aided by the prayers of his mother, the Virgin Mary,  
we may come to the joys of everlasting life;  
through the same Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



# Notices

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ARCHBISHOP**

The Archbishop has extended the suspension of public worship and church-based activities. It is now hoped to return on June 14, subject of course to the guidance of the Province. Archbishop Melissa has announced the process for the election of a new Bishop to succeed her on her retirement on February 28, 2021. There will be an Electoral Synod on Saturday, October 3, 2020 to elect a Coadjutor Bishop (assistant bishop with right of succession). The intention is that the Coadjutor Bishop will be consecrated on January 23, 2021, and take up office on February 28, 2021.

## **DTES SUPPORT**

Watari, a community organisation with which St. James' has worked closely before, will be using the crypt kitchen to prepare meals for distribution in the DTES, initially on one day per week.

## **ODNW**

Nominations are invited for a lay member of the parish to be recommended for admission to the Order of the Diocese of New Westminster. Please submit names for consideration to Fr. Kevin, [fr.kevin@stjames.bc.ca](mailto:fr.kevin@stjames.bc.ca) or 778-984-3208, by Sunday, May 10. Nominees are required to have served as a representative the Anglican Church in the parish or the diocese for some time, and in a voluntary capacity. The Admission Service is scheduled to be in the Massey Theatre, New Westminster, on Saturday, November 7.

## **GIVING**

Although we are not meeting as a congregation, the ongoing running costs of St. James', some \$1800 per day, continue. If usually you give in the Weekly Offering Envelopes, please consider using the credit card Donate option on the HOME page or go to the GIVING page of the St. James' website: [www.stjames.bc.ca](http://www.stjames.bc.ca) Alternatively, if you do not already give by PAD (Pre-Authorised Donation) and are able to do so, please email the Parish Office for a form. More information is available on the Diocese of New Westminster website: [www.vancouver.anglican.ca](http://www.vancouver.anglican.ca)

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAILY MASS</b>	<b>MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM</b>	<b>EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM</b>
MON. MAY 4 Feria	Acts 11:1-18 Ps 43 Jn 10:1-10	Ps 41, 52 Ex 32:1-20 Col 3:18 – 4:6	Ps 44 Wis 1:16 – 2:11, 21-24 Mt 5:1-10
TUES. MAY 5 Feria	Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87 Jn 10:22-30	Ps 45 Ex 32:21-34 1 Th 1:1-10	Ps 47, 48 Wis 3:1-9 Mt 5:11-16
WED. MAY 6 St. Francois de Laval, 1 <sup>st</sup> Bishop in New France, 1708	Acts 12:24 – 13:5a Ps 67 Jn 12:44-50	Ps 119:49-72 Ex 33:1-23 1 Th 2:1-12	Ps 49 Wis 4:16 – 5:8 Mt 5:17-20
THU. MAY 7 Feria	Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:1-2, 19-26 Jn 13:16-20	Ps 50 Ex 34:1-17 1 Th 2:13-20	Ps 114, 115 Wis 5:9-23 Mt 5:21-26
FRI. MAY 8 Dame Julian of Norwich, Spiritual Teacher, c.1417	Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2 Jn 14:1-7	Ps 40, 54 Ex 34:18-35 1 Th 3:1-13	Ps 51 Wis 6:12-23 Mt 5:27-37
SAT. MAY 9 Feria	Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98 Jn 14:7-14	Ps 55 Ex 40:18-38 1 Th 4:1-12	Ps 138, 139:1-17 Wis 7:1-14 Mt 5:38-48
SUN. MAY 10 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Acts 7:55-60 Ps 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Pet 2:2-10 Jn 14:1-14	Ps 24, 29 Lev 8:1-13, 30-36 Heb 12:1-14	Ps 8, 84 Wis 7:22 – 8:1 Lk 4:16-30

## **CLERGY**

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604-685-7522 (non-emergency #)

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Honorary Assistants: Sister Mary Christian Cross, Deacon;  
Father Neil Gray; Father Neil Fernyhough

## **CLERGY AVAILABILITY**

Clergy may be contacted through the Office: 604-685-2532.

In-parish office hours are currently intermittent but email and phone messages are being monitored and responded to.

## **PARISH STAFF**

Office Managers: Linda Adams: Mon – Wed, 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Deanna Ferguson: Thu – Sat, 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Organist & Choirmaster: Gerald Harder; Assistant Organist, PJ Janson

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Darren Campbell, Building Assistant

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

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