

# Liturgy at Home

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## St. James' Anglican Church



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – July 12, 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 will continue over the summer in parallel with the simple said service at 9.00 am in church.

For the time being that will be the only public service in St. James'. Nonetheless, 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.

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom at the regular times: contact details on the website, and at the end of this bulletin. The Mass will continue to be offered regularly, even though the doors may be locked.

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 daily. 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

God of light  
and God of mercy,  
give us the faith to see you  
in the grey dimness  
of this time.

Give us the heart to hear,  
in the silence of the sick,  
the call to care for those in pain.

Give us the courage to find you  
where you do not now appear to be.

Give us the trust it takes  
to make our way through this uncertainty,  
this fear, this seemingly irredeemable  
sense of limitless loss  
to the recognition of the relentless hope  
that each seasonal cycle of life confirms in us.

You who made all things  
for our good and our growth,  
show us, too, now  
the power of darkness  
so that we may see newly—  
beyond the ephemeral—  
to what are really  
the gloriously important things  
in life.

*This was written by Sr. Joan Chittester: OSB; Author; Interfaith Lecturer at Chautauqua Institution, N.Y.*

## **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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## **Mercy Within Mercy**

The Voice of God is heard in Paradise:

“What was vile has become precious. What is now precious was never vile. I have always known the vile as precious: for what is vile I know not at all.

“What was cruel has become merciful. What is now merciful was never cruel. I have always overshadowed Jonas with my mercy, and cruelty I know not at all. Have you had sight of Me, Jonas, my child? Mercy within mercy within mercy. I have forgiven the universe without end, because I have never known sin.

“What was poor has become infinite. What is infinite was never poor. I have always known poverty as infinite: riches I love not at all. Prisons within prisons within prisons. Do not lay up for yourselves ecstasies upon earth, where time and space corrupt, where the minutes break in and steal. No more lay hold on time, Jonas, my son, lest the rivers bear you away.

“What was fragile has become powerful. I loved what was most frail. I looked upon what was nothing. I touched what was without substance, and within what was not, I am.”

There are drops of dew that show like sapphires in the grass as soon as the morning sun appears, and leaves stir behind the hushed flight of an escaping dove.

*July 4, 1952, II.488*

Thomas Merton, *A Year with Thomas Merton*, Harper Collins Canada Kindle Edition: 2009.

# 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

Gathering together on the traditional, ancestral and unceded lands of the Tsleil-Waututh “People of the Inlet”, the Musqueam “People of the River Grass”, and the Squamish “Mother of the Wind”, we meet

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

**Amen.**

## HYMN VERSE

O Holy Spirit, by whose breath  
life rises vibrant out of death,  
come to create, renew, inspire;  
come, kindle in our hearts your fire.

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.  
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,  
all slander and malice,  
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Like as the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for you, O God:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

O send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me:  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

May we come to your altar, O God, the God of our salvation:  
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.

Almighty God,

thou hast made us for thyself,

and our hearts are restless

until they find their rest in thee.

May we find peace in thy service,

and in the world to come, see thee face to face;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

# Liturgy of the Word

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## FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

*Isaiah 55:10-13*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.  
You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.  
You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;  
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.  
You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.  
May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.  
May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves  
with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

*Psalms 65:9-14*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*Romans 8:1-11*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA

Alleluia.

You, O God, are praised in Zion: to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

Alleluia.

## THE GOSPEL READING

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

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

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

*Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23*

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## HOMILY

Fr. Kevin Hunt

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father,  
**from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

We believe in God the Son,  
**who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
**who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God;  
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant:*

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor:*

For Christians everywhere that, faithful to our calling we may become a royal  
priesthood, a holy nation.

Lord in thy mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea – Archbishop Allan Migi
- for Linda – our Primate; and Melissa – our Archbishop & Metropolitan
- For the mission and witness of our Diocese, and especially for –
  - the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the calling of a Coadjutor Bishop;
  - The Diocesan Primate’s World Relief & Development Fund Unit;
  - The Diocesan Ecumenical Multifaith Unit;
  - And for our parish of St. James’.

Lord in thy mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For Archbishop Mark, and for all Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Fredericton, and for Bishop Brent and our partner diocese of Northern Philippines.

Lord in thy mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority at this time of crisis; for the World Health Organization and for the medical profession, on the front line and in research.

Lord in thy mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

That by thy power, wars, famine, and pandemic may cease through all the earth,

Lord in thy mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; for the victims of our society; and for all those who minister to them: for all those suffering from Covid-19; and for Lynann Burton; Dylan; Ivy Stewart; Judy Lambert; Helen; Sarah Kavanaugh; Panagiota Graffos; Danny Monteiro; Eric Bristow; Norman; Jim Turner; Peter & Rita Friesen; Maisie & family; Taryn & Regan; Lindsay; Philip Chester; and Arkie.

And in our Street Outreach for the residents and staff of Victory House, Cooper Place & Cordova House; and for Lloyd; Tim & Bonnie; James; Judy; Emile; Ron; Karl; Grace; Marcel; Jason; Samantha; Jeff; and Terry.

Lord in thy mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For the recently departed: Davina Ridley and Florence McKinney;

And for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Harley Bryon; Ira Molony; Joseph O'Brien; Won Tshin Ho; Alfred Hutchins; Mary Henderson; Martha Somerville; Cecil Best; John Heng; Michael Elliott; and Deirdre McKechnie.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

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

May they rest in peace.

**Amen.**

*Celebrant:*

Father,

thy word creates in us a yearning for thy kingdom.

Receive our prayers with all we offer thee this day,

and keep us in thy peace;

for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**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.

Living God,

through our baptism we share in thine eternal kingdom.

May we forever serve thee in faith, hope, and love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **THE GRACE**

The peace of God which passeth all understanding,

keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **AVE REGINA CAELORUM**

Hail, Queen of Heaven, beyond compare,  
to whom the angels homage pay.  
Hail, Root of Jesse, Gate of Light,  
which opened for the world's new day.

Rejoice, O Virgin unsurpassed,  
in whom our ransom was begun.  
For all your loving children pray,  
to Christ our Saviour and your Son.

# Clergy Notes

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It is hard to credit that 2020 is now over halfway through, and that here in BC, and indeed across the world, we have been experiencing Covid-19 safety measures for almost 4 months. As these measures begin to be relaxed, nonetheless we recognise the continued need for care and caution: washing hands, wearing masks at the least in confined places, keeping distance. For many people this raises stress levels; I am certainly finding it altogether wearisome and tiring. Like so many, I long for the time when we can come close to our friends and neighbours, for the comforting touch and the affirming hug. But for that we shall be waiting some considerable time.

Dr. Bonnie Henry's words, "Be kind, be calm, be safe," have become a well-worn mantra, calming and encouraging. This being kind, to oneself and to those around us, resonates powerfully at this time with Jesus' Summary of the Law: "love your neighbour as yourself." We wash our hands, wear our masks, keep our distance, not simply for our own protection, but for the safety and well-being of all whom we meet.

Let's continue being kind to one another, offering practical assistance or a listening ear where it is needed. Let's continue to support one another, our civic leaders and health professionals, our local communities, by our prayers. Let's pray for grace to continue faithfully in our journey with and to Christ.

"Lord, in all our doings guide us,  
pride and hate shall ne'er divide us.  
We'll go on with thee beside us;  
and with joy we'll persevere."

*Fr. Kevin*

# Notices

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## **PUBLIC & ONLINE WORSHIP**

St. James' has reopened for public worship. On Sundays there will be a 9 am said service, *Liturgy of the Word*, inside St. James' and registration with the Parish Office is required by Thursday at 4 pm of the previous week. The online *Liturgy at Home* at 10:30 am continues. Please see *The Thurible* and the website for more details and protocol.

## **GIVING**

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Although we are not all meeting as a congregation in the church, 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 [here](#).

## **THE DAILY OFFICE**

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm.

The Meeting ID is 936 5595 7573, Password 762469. Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAILY MASS</b>	<b>MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM</b>	<b>EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM</b>
MON. JULY 13 St. Henry, Missionary Bishop in Finland, 1150	Is 1:10-17 Ps 50:7-15 Mt 10:34 – 11:1	Ps 25 Jos 2:1-14 Rom 11:1-12	Ps 9, 15 1 Sam 18:5-16, 27b-30 Mt 25:1-13
TUES. JULY 14 Feria	Is 7:1-9 Ps 48 Mt 11:20-24	Ps 26, 28 Jos 2:15-24 Rom 11:13-24	Ps 36, 39 1 Sam 19:1-18 Mt 25:14-30
WED. JULY 15 Feria	Is 10:5-7, 13-16 Ps 94:5-15 Mt 11:25-27	Ps 38 Jos 3:1-13 Rom 11:25-36	Ps 119:25-48 1 Sam 20:1-23 Mt 25:31-46
THU. JULY 16 Feria	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Ps 102:12-22 Mt 11:28-30	Ps 37:1-18 Jos 3:14 – 4:7 Rom 12:1-8	Ps 37:19-42 1 Sam 20:24-42 Mt 26:1-16
FRI. JULY 17 Feria	Is 38:1-6, 21 Ps 6 Mt 12:1-8	Ps 31 Jos 4:19 – 5:1, 10-15 Rom 12:9-21	Ps 35 1 Sam 21:1-15 Mt 26:17-25
SAT. JULY 18 Feria	Mic 2:1-5 Ps 10:1-9, 18-19 Mt 12:14-21	Ps 30, 32 Jos 6:1-14 Rom 13:1-7	Ps 42, 43 1 Sam 22:1-23 Mt 26:26-35
SUN. JULY 19 7th Sunday after Pentecost	Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:11-17 Rom 8:12-25 Mt 13:24-30, 36-43	Ps 63:1-8, 98 Jos 6:15-27 Acts 22:30 – 23:11	Ps 103 1 Sam 23:7-18 Mk 2:1-12

## **CLERGY**

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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

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