

# Liturgy at Home

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## St. James' Anglican Church



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 16, 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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Her Virgin eyes saw God incarnate born,  
When she to Bethl'em came that happy morn;  
How high her raptures then began to swell,  
None but her own omniscient Son can tell.

As Eve when she her fontal sin reviewed,  
Wept for herself and all she should include,  
Blest Mary with man's Saviour in embrace  
Joyed for herself and for all human race.

All Saints are by her Son's dear influence blest,  
She kept the very Fountain at her breast;  
The Son adored and nursed by the sweet Maid  
A thousandfold of love for love repaid.

Heaven with transcendent joys her entrance graced,  
Next to his throne her Son his Mother placed;  
And here below, now she's of heaven possest,  
All generations are to call her blest.

*Thomas Ken* (1637-1711)  
Bishop of Bath & Wells, Non-Juror.

# 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 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

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:  
unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

## 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.

O God,

thou hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary,  
mother of thine incarnate Son.

May we who have been redeemed by his blood,  
share with her the glory of thine eternal kingdom;  
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 the prophet Isaiah.

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good."

*Isaiah 7:10-15*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

*Antiphon:* The Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired her for his habitation.

The Ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; we found it in the fields of Jearim.  
"Let us go to God's dwelling place; let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."  
Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.  
Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy.  
For your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed.  
"If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them,  
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

*Antiphon:* The Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired her for his habitation.

*Psalms 132:6-10, 13-14*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians.

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Galatians 4:4-7*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA

Alleluia.

Mary is taken up into heaven: the company of angels is joyful.

Alleluia.

## THE GOSPEL READING

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

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

Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

*Luke 1:46-55*

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 peace let us pray to the Lord.

*Intercessor:*

As we pray to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we say with Mary:

Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

Your prophet of old foretold a day when a virgin would conceive  
and bear a son who would be called God-with-us.

Give us the grace of repentance and forgiveness,  
that we may look forward to your deliverance and seek the fullness of your  
kingdom.

Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

Your angel declared to Mary that she was to be the mother of the Saviour.

Help every Christian person to be open to your word and obedient to your will.

Especially we pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for the Scottish Episcopal Church - Mark Strange - Primus
- for Linda, our Primate; Melissa, our Archbishop and Metropolitan;
- for the mission and witness of our diocese,
- especially for guidance in the election of a Coadjutor Bishop,
- and for the parishes of
  - St. Aidan & St. Bartholomew, Gibsons – the Rev. Brian Heinrich
  - The Anglican Church Women across the diocese – Gail Revitt (Chair)
  - and our parish of St. James'

Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

Mary rejoiced with Elizabeth and sang your praise,  
“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.”

Help us to live joyful lives that sing your praise.

Especially we pray for Bishop Mark and for the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, and for Bishop Brent and our partner The Diocese of Northern Philippines.  
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

Mary bore a son of David’s line, a king whose reign would never end.

Bless all the nations of the world with Christ’s gift of peace. Give wisdom to the leaders of the nations, and to the medical profession, in this time of pandemic.  
Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

The child Jesus grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Mary and Joseph.  
Strengthen our homes and families, and keep under your protection all who live, work and offer care in this neighbourhood.

In our Street Outreach we pray for: Lloyd; Judy; Brandon Thomas; Shawn McGeachy; Darren; Ozzie & Donna; Tiffany; Coulton; Jason; Alain; Ron; Dennis; Will; Robert; and Stephen.

Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

At the foot of the cross of Christ stood his mother, and from the cross she received his lifeless body in her arms. Give comfort and healing to all who suffer and all who watch the suffering of those they love.

We remember especially; all those suffering from Covid-19; and also Lynann Burton; Dylan; Judy Lambert; Helen; Sarah Kavanaugh; Eric Bristow; Jim Turner; Taryn & Regan; Lindsay; Kit; Brandon; Doreen McEwan; Arthur & Margaret Searle; Daniel; Sadru; Lil; Ingrid; Richard Collins; Amy; Annette & Jilda Nelson, & Norman Wilson.

Lord, have mercy on those who fear you.

**Holy is your name.**

The apostle John saw a vision of a woman in heaven, robed with the sun. Bring us with all those who have died in the faith of Christ to share the joy of heaven with Mary and all the saints.

We pray for the recently departed: all victims of covid-19; and for Sukh Brar; and Jody; and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, Austin Gordon; Sydney Stapleton; Horace Clarke; Martha Gordon; En Soon Liew; Anne Ainsworth; Frank Marchant; Margery North; Doris Evans; Rae Whitby; Ethelyn Thomas; Cecil Best; and Gordon Gardiner, priest.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

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

May they rest in peace.

**Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes the prayers with the following Collect:*

God of mercy, receive our prayers with all we offer you this day.

May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom,  
and live with you in unending love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.  
God of grace,  
today we raise our voices  
to magnify thy holy name,  
and in our generation, to call her blessed  
who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
May we continue, with her, in thy glorious kingdom,  
founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
We ask this in his name.  
**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.

## **POSTLUDE**

*Prelude in E flat (BWV 552a) – J. S. Bach*

# Clergy Notes

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This Sunday there will be a public celebration of the Mass in St. James', and many other churches in the diocese, for the first time since March 18. This will be a simple, said service, as we begin to accustom ourselves to the COVID-19 constraints on the liturgy. The 10:30 am Zoom *Liturgy at Home* will continue for the time being.

I know I am not alone in being grateful for the way in which Zoom technology has enabled us to maintain a sense of community over these past months, by enabling us to worship together, and also to continue with other meetings and administration. Looking ahead we are likely to have a "mixed-economy" of in-person and online activities for some time, so it will be important for us to hold the wider community together.

With this in mind, the *Said Mass* in church will largely follow the pattern of the *Liturgy at Home* we have been using on Zoom, to encourage our sense of worshipping together. We shall use the traditional language of the Ordinary of the Mass (Gloria, Sanctus, Agnus Dei), the texts we usually sing. Other parts of the Liturgy, however, may be in more contemporary language, for example a Eucharistic Prayer from the BAS.

Everyone on our electronic mailing list should have received an email earlier this week with a survey on our Sunday Worship Pattern. Please respond as soon as you are able: Trustees are keen to be aware of the thoughts and feelings of the congregation, as they plan for the fall.

Here is the link to the survey again: <https://bit.ly/2PxDwP>.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Every blessing,  
*Fr. Kevin*

# Notices

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## **THE HOLY ROSARY: JOYFUL MYSTERIES**

Monday, August 31 at 6 pm

Join St. James' parishioners in praying the Holy Rosary.

Join by Zoom: Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159 | Password: 31082020

Or join by Telephone: 778 907 2071. Access the Rosary text [here](#).

## **DEACON INTERNSHIP**

The Revd Amanda Ruston, ordained deacon on June 18, will be joining us at St. James' in September, to gain further parish experience as she continues her training and formation for ordination to the priesthood. Deacon Amanda will also be doing some work with Gerald on liturgical music.

## **PUBLIC & ONLINE WORSHIP**

On Sundays there is a 9:00 am *Said Mass* 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.

# Lectionary

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DATE	DAILY MASS	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON. AUGUST 17 John Stuart, Priest, Missionary among the Mohawks, 1811	Ezek 24:15-24 Ps 79:1-8 Mt 19:16-22	Ps 106:1-18 Jg 17:1-13 Acts 7:44 – 8:1a	Ps 106:19-48 2 Sam 17:24 – 18:8 Jn 5:19-29
TUES. AUGUST 18 Feria	Ezek 28:1-10 Ps 60:1-5 Mt 19:23-30	Ps 121, 122, 123 Jg 18:1-15 Acts 8:1-13	Ps 124, 125, 126 2 Sam 18:9-18 Jn 5:30-47
WED. AUGUST 19 Feria	Ezek 34:1-11 Ps 23 Mt 20:1-16a	Ps 119:145-176 Jg 18:16-31 Acts 8:14-25	Ps 128, 129, 130 2 Sam 18:19-33 Jn 6:1-15
THU. AUGUST 20 St. Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith, 1153	Ezek 36:22-28 Ps 51:8-13 Mt 22:1-14	Ps 131, 132 Job 1:1-22 Acts 8:26-40	Ps 134, 135 2 Sam 19:1-23 Jn 6:16-27
FRI. AUGUST 21 Feria	Ezek 37:1-14 Ps 107:1-8 Mt 22:34-40	Ps 140, 142 Job 2:1-13 Acts 9:1-9	Ps 141, 143:1-11 2 Sam 19:24-43 Jn 6:27-40
SAT. AUGUST 22 Feria	Ezek 43:1-7 Ps 85:8-13 Mt 23:1-12	Ps 137:1-6, 144 Job 3:1-26 Acts 9:10-19a	Ps 104 2 Sam 23:1-7, 13-17 Jn 6:41-51
SUN. AUGUST 23 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	Is 51:1-6 Ps 138 Rom 12:1-8 Mt 16:13-20	Ps 146, 147 Job 4:1-6, 12-21 Rev 4:1-11	Ps 111, 112, 113 2 Sam 24:1-2, 10-25 Mk 6:1-6a

## **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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Darren Campbell, Building Assistant

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Chair: Jordon Skinner, Secretary: Reece Wrightman

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