

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Second Sunday of Easter
April 16, 2023 | 9:00 am



Welcome

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect our presence on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wxwú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! Easter Greetings and Blessings to one and all!

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy at Home", which continues to gather together a community of worship for those prevented for various reasons from being in church. Solemn Mass is now celebrated in church at 10:30 am on Sundays. For weekday Mass (in church) and (online) Daily Office times, please see the Notices pages at the end of this bulletin.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 9:00 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, 604-685-2532.

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

Let's forget it now,
And all go home.
He is buried and the stone is in place.
His family is in tears, his friends are lost.
This time it is really over.

Lord, it is not over.
'You are in agony till the end of time,' I know.
Men tread the Way of the Cross in relays.
The resurrection will only be completed when they have reached the end of the way.
I am on the road; I have a small share of your suffering
 and the others have theirs.
Together we help you to carry the burden
 that you have assumed and made divine.
There lies my hope, Lord, and my invincible trust.
There is not a fraction of my little suffering that you have not
 already lived and transformed into infinite redemption.
When the road is hard and monotonous,
When it leads to the grave,
I know that beyond the grave you are waiting for me in your glory.
Lord, help me to travel along my road faithfully,
 at my proper place in the vast procession of humanity.
Help me above all to recognize you
 and to help you in all my pilgrim brothers.
For it would be a lie to weep before your lifeless image,
 If I did not follow you, living, on the road that men travel.

Michel Quoist, *Prayers of Life; Jesus is laid in the tomb.*

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations, we meet

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

Amen.

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord,
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the deep waters of death
you brought your people to new birth
by raising your Son to life in triumph.

Through him dark death has been destroyed
and radiant life is everywhere restored.

As you call us out of darkness into his marvellous light
may our lives reflect his glory
and our lips repeat the endless song.

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

HYMN

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, alleluia!

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 and eternal God,
the strength of those who believe
and the hope of those who doubt,
may we, who have not seen, have faith
and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles,

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

‘You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

‘Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

“He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.”
This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

(Acts 2:14a, 22-32)

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

**All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

**Their libations of blood I will not offer,
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me, night after night.

**I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the Pit.**

You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

(Psalm 16)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Peter,

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

(1 Peter 1:3-9)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. In the day of my resurrection, says the Lord: I will go before you into Galilee. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

(John 20:19-31)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Mother Amanda Ruston

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;

**he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:

**this we have received,
and this we believe.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant:

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

Intercessor:

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 John, our Bishop, and the clergy and people of this Diocese,

let us pray to the Lord,

Hear us, Lord of glory!

For Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Ottawa,

let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by God's power, war, pandemic, and famine may cease through all the earth,

let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of Glory!

That God may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened: for Kenny Landherr; Kate Flood; Byron; Clare Lockhart; James Walsh; Philip; Richard Roberts; Linda; James & Tina; Abraham; Charles Nixon; Leah Skuro; David; Wendy; Norine McCaffrey; Rupert; Jenny, Judy, & family; Lynn Wilson; Helen; Thea; and Dave,

let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That God 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 and the work of the Street Outreach, remembering particularly: Robbie; Bones; Richard; Claudia West; Kevin; Angel; Grace; Donny; Brian; Norman; Philip; Kim and Lucas; Sandy; Lance; Alfred; Duane; Matthew Dixon; and Peggy & Johnny, 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: Karl Landherr; Breon Humchitt; Audrey; Juan Jesus Perdomo-Romero; Jasper Joseph Jr; Elroy; Sheila Baxter; Mike Gaylie Greene; Julie; and Dawn Roland,

And remembering those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Cyril Brummitt; Donald Whiteside; Jordan McFerran; Reginald Bethune; Lynda Sobol; Marion West; Donald Spence; and Leola Fernyhough,
+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:

Remembering Holy Mary, the Mother of God, St. James our Patron, and all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life, to you, our Lord and God.
Amen.

Spiritual Communion

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.

HYMN

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
God of grace,
you have freed us from our sins
and made us a kingdom in your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and strengthen us in the new life you have given us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GRACE

May the God of peace who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip us with everything good that we may do his will,
working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever.
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!

The flowers on the High Altar
are given to the Glory of God,

and are donated by
Mother Amanda Ruston
in memory of her aunt,
Lynda Sobol.

Clergy Notes

It may seem like an odd thing to be writing about suffering so soon after the joy of Easter Sunday. I hesitated even to write this, let alone send it. Yet, I cannot ignore that our own beloved neighbourhood continues to be ravaged by layers of suffering in a broken system which seems beyond hope. The 'working poor' is a term which now describes those who were once called 'middle class,' and the truly poor are shuffled around until they become impossible to ignore and must be shuffled again.

With this in my head and heart, as I read again all the stories of the people who encounter the resurrected Christ, I notice afresh their utter desolation. That is, until Christ appears to them, they are not expecting to ever see him again. In the aftermath of the horror of the crucifixion, and even upon hearing the testimony of the women who witness the empty tomb, most of them are left bewildered and confused; full of sorrow and fear.

It is so interesting that we often overlook the reality of the despair they are faced with in our own expectation of what they are about to encounter. Yet, how often do WE expect to encounter the joy of Jesus' presence during our times of despair?

In their stories, we might find a new kind of Easter hope; the kind that reminds us of the unexpected joy that we Christians perhaps ought to expect; the hope we will need when we inevitably experience despair – whether now or later. We may find it helpful to linger with these desolate friends of ours in our Eastertide readings, who testify to us again and again the joy of encountering the resurrected Christ, even in the midst of hopelessness.

I have walked these streets often enough to testify with them that I too have encountered the risen Christ; usually when I least expect it. Christ is risen indeed; on our streets, amongst us.

Mother Amanda

Notices

REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICE TIME *UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE*

Saturday

4:00 pm: Vigil Mass in church

Sunday

9:00 am: Liturgy at Home via Zoom

10:30 am: Solemn Mass in church

Weekday Mass in church

12:10 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:30 am: Tuesday, Thursday

THE DAILY OFFICE

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

Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Password 762469.

Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

BURIAL OF ASHES

On Saturday April 22 (the Feast of the Seven Martyred Melanesian Brothers), Br John Blyth's ashes will be interred in the Brothers' cemetery at Tabalia in the Solomon Islands. The Archbishop of Melanesia will officiate, and Bishop Terry Brown, a Canadian who served as Bishop in the Solomon Islands and a good friend of Br John, will preach.

AWAY

Fr Kevin will be on vacation from 10 April through 26 April, and he will be out of email contact during this time. Please refer all pastoral matters to Mother Amanda, and parish admin matters to office@stjames.bc.ca.

CONFIRMATION

Anyone interested in Confirmation, Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows, or Reception into the Anglican Church of Canada, please contact Fr Kevin or Mtr Amanda.

LECTIO DIVINA AND BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesdays at 1:00 pm (after Midday Mass), we are holding Bible Study in the library of the Parish Centre. Participants are welcome to join in person as well as via Zoom. Each week we will explore a passage of scripture (usually the following Sunday's Gospel) and wonder together about its meaning(s) and implications for our lives as Christians today. All are welcome! Zoom coordinates are as follows:

Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Passcode: 247805.

No registration required but if you would like to be sent the reading and questions ahead of time, please contact Mtr. Amanda.

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP via Zoom. We meet at 9:00 pm Friday nights. Bring your own book, or contact Mother Amanda for the PDF order of service.

Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Password 688517.

Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071.

MASS IN SPANISH

First Saturdays of the month at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 1130 Jervis Street, Vancouver. Everyone welcome.

THE HOLY ROSARY

On the last Saturday of the month at 10:30 am, join Rev. José Luis Aranda Moyano in praying the Holy Rosary via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159.

No password required.

Or join by phone: 778 907 2071.

GIVING

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

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON April 17 Easter Feria	Ps 1, 2, 3; Dan 1:1-21; 1 Jn 1:1-10	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2; Jn 3:1-8	Ps 4, 7; Ex 14:21-31; Jn 17:1-11
TUES April 18 Easter Feria	Ps 5, 6; Dan 2:1-16; 1 Jn 2:1-11	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93; Jn 3:7-15	Ps 10, 11; Ex 15:1-21; Jn 17:12-19
WED April 19 Easter Feria	Ps 119:1-24; Dan 2:17-30; 1 Jn 2:12-17	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:1-8; Jn 3:16-21	Ps 12, 13, 14; Ex 15:22-16:10; Jn 17:20-26
THUR April 20 Easter Feria	Ps 18:1-20; Dan 2:31-49; 1 Jn 2:18-29	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:15-22; Jn 3:31-36	Ps 18:21-50; Ex 16:10-22; Lk 3:1-14
FRI April 21 Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1109	Ps 16, 17; Dan 3:1-18; 1 Jn 3:1-10	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1-8, 17-18; Jn 6:1-15	Ps 134, 135; Ex 16:23-36; Lk 3:15-22
SAT April 22 Easter Feria	Ps 20, 21:1-7; Dan 3:19-30; 1 Jn 3:11-18	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-5, 18-22; Jn 6:16-21	Ps 110:1-7, 116, 117; Ex 17:1-16; Lk 4:1-13
SUN April 23 Third Sunday of Easter	Ps 148, 149, 150; Dan 4:1-18; 1 Pet 4:7-11	Acts 2:14a, 36- 41; Ps 116:1-3, 10-17; 1 Pet 1:17-23; Lk 24:13-35	Ps 114, 115; Ex 18:1-12; Jn 21:15-25

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