

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 13, 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), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

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.

About St James'

St. James' is an inclusive Christian community, worshipping in the Anglo-Catholic tradition. For more information, please see our website: www.stjames.bc.ca

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

O Virgo virginum

*O Virgin of virgins, how shall this be?
For neither before thee was any like thee, nor shall there be after.
Daughters of Jerusalem, why marvel ye at me?
The thing which ye behold is a divine mystery.*

Who are the daughters of Jerusalem,
Who glimpse you still as you transform their seeing?
Whom have you called to this mysterium,
And bathed in the blithe fountain of your being?

Daughters of sorrow, daughters of despair,
The cast-aside, the overlooked, the spurned
The broken girls who scarcely breathe a prayer
The ones whose love has never been returned.

O Maid amongst the maidens, turn your face,
For when we glimpse you we are not alone,
O look us out of grief and into grace,
Lift us in love made stronger than our own,
Summon the spring in our worst wilderness,
And make us fruitful in your fruitfulness.

*O Virgo virginum, quomodo fiet istud?
Quia nec primam similem visa es nec habere sequentem.
Filiae Jerusalem, quid me admiramini?
Divinum est mysterium hoc quod cernitis.*

Malcolm Guite

For Wells Cathedral, England, Advent 2016

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN

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.

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and Splendour of the Father:

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,

you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary,
mother of your incarnate Son.

May we who have been redeemed by his blood,
share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives 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 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

“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.

**For the Lord has chosen Zion,
he has desired her for his habitation:**

“This shall be my resting-place for ever;
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.

(Psalm 132:6-10, 14-15)

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 Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Deacon Joyce Locht

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us bless the living God:

He was born of the Virgin Mary,
revealed in his glory.

Worshipped by the angels,
proclaimed among the nations.

Believed in throughout the world,
exalted to the highest heavens.

Blessed be God, our strength and our salvation,
now and for ever.
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.

Mary rejoiced with Elizabeth and sang your praise,

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.”

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

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile;
- for Linda our Primate, Lynne our Metropolitan, and John our Bishop;
- for Archbishop Christopher, and for the covenant to raise up a truly Anglican Indigenous Church in Canada,
- for Bishop Benny, and our companion diocese of Northern Philippines,
- and in our Diocese for:
 - the Vancouver School of Theology;
 - and our own parish of St James.

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.
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 Antonio; Sonia Bowe; Edgar Alan; Yuen; Ash;
Adam; Michael; Darlyne Plan; Leslie; Shepreny; Dunala; Brooklyn; Kari-Ann; Dwight;
Clayton Scott; Ray Lanz; Taylor; The Kettle Society; and Elizabeth Dance.
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 pray for Kenny Landherr; Kate Flood; Byron; Philip; Wendy; Judy; Marcus;
Doug Edwards; Adaline; Martin; Philippa Pride; June & Charles Nixon; Paul Kimm;
Cynthia Green; Marko; Dianne; Gary; Patrick Burns; Nola Sinclair; Angela; Charles;
Paul Stanwood; Jan Marshall; Cliff & Nicole; Dwayne; Linda Cheung;
Christine Hatfull; Don; Isabelle; Edwina Lopez; Clive Harris; William Rudolph; and
Chris,
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: Alfred Williams; Dave Harter;
Regina Annette Daniels; Michael Peers, bishop; Nyna; Pablo; Irene Sodja;
Hollis Prout; Joy Hunter,

and all who have died suddenly and unprepared; and for all those whose
anniversaries occur at this time: Eileen Wright; Dilys Hornby; Bertha Hoer;
Inez Hills; Roger Odlum; Ellen Harper; George Dawson; Louis Taylor; and
Reginald Unwin.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

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

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

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
when the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
God of mercy,
receive 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.

THE GRACE

May holy Michael the archangel and all the angels of God
watch over us and guard us; may holy Mary, the Mother of God,
St. James our Patron, and all the Saints, pray with us and for us;
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

This week's Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary sees the completion of the work of God's grace in the life of Mary of Nazareth, and holds before us the vision of what that grace will complete in our lives too. Mary has lived a life of faithful obedience, openness to God, saying yes, not only to the angel at the Annunciation, but day by day: in her life with Joseph, in her bringing up the infant Jesus, in her following his mission, in her standing at the foot of the cross with St John, in her waiting in prayer in the upper room with the apostles for the coming of Holy Spirit. A yes that demands great cost, the sword which pierced her heart, but a yes to which God responds with his own Yes: at her death Mary enters the fullness of resurrection life.

St Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 1, 'In Jesus Christ every one of God's promises is a 'Yes.' For this reason it is through him that we say the 'Amen', to the glory of God.' Let us pray for grace, that, like Mary, we may say yes to God day by day, that we may be bearers of God's love in our daily living, and that we may be ready for God's Yes to us, to share fully in the resurrection life, here and hereafter.

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raised on high and crowned with grace,
may thy Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

George Timms (1910-1997) NEH185

Every blessing,
Fr Kevin

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES 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
Weekdays	12:10 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday in church 9:30 am: Tuesday, Thursday in church

TODAY AT 3:00 PM: TRIPTYCH

The brilliant virtuoso violinist Chloe Kim is joined by Christina Mahler, former Principal Cellist of Tafelmusik, and Christina Hutten, well-known as organist and harpsichordist with Early Music Vancouver, to present a concert of beautiful music from the Baroque Era on **Sunday, August 13, at 3:00 pm**. This concert by one of the violin world's most exciting young early-music talents promises to be exquisite!

POLISH ORGANIST MICHAL SZOSTAK IN CONCERT AT ST JAMES'

The renowned Polish concert organist Michał Szostak performs on St James' majestic three-manual Casavant organ on **Friday, August 25, at 7.30 pm**. Michał has performed across Europe as well as in the UK, Brasil, Chile, and the USA. The concert will include music by Bach, Chopin, Lefébure-Wély, and Vierne, as well as an improvisation on a theme provided by the audience.

Admission is by donation, and the event is followed by a reception. Visit sjmusic.ca for more information, and to confirm your attendance for planning purposes.

GIVING

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St. James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated. To donate online, please visit www.stjames.bc.ca/donate to make a one-time or monthly donation using Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Visa Debit, or PayPal.

Regular givers are invited to set up a PAD/Credit Card payment. For info email envelope.secretary@stjames.bc.ca.

BIBLE STUDY SUMMER BREAK

The Bible Study will be on pause over the summer, and will resume on Wednesday, September 13th. Enjoy your summer!

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Passcode 762469.

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

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

Passcode 688517.

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

THE HOLY ROSARY

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

Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159.

No passcode required.

Or join by phone: 778 907 2071.

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON Aug 14 St. Maximilien Kolbe, Friar, Martyr, 1941	Ps 89:1-18 2 Sam 13:23-39 Acts 20:17-38	Dt 10:12-22 Ps 148 Mt 17:22-27	Ps 89:19-52 Jg 12:1-7 Mk 9:42-50
TUES Aug 15 Feria	Ps 97, 99 2 Sam 14:1-20 Acts 20:17-38	Dt 31:1-8 Ps 148 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14	Ps 94 Jg 13:15-24 Mk 10:1-16
WED Aug 16 Holy Women of the Old Testament	Ps 101, 109:1-4, 20-30; 2 Sam 14:21-33; Acts 21:15-26	Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-8; Mt 18:15-20	Ps 119:121-144; Jg 13:15-24; Mk 10:17-31
THUR Aug 17 John Stuart, Priest, Missionary among the Mohawks, 1811	Ps 105:1-22; 2 Sam 15:1-18; Acts 21:27-36	Jos 3:7-17; Ps 114; Mt 18:21-19:1	Ps 105:23-45; Jg 14:1-19; Mk 10:32-45
FRI Aug 18 Feria	Ps 102; 2 Sam 15:19-37; Acts 21:37-22:16	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-22; Mt 19:3-12	Ps 107:1-32; Jg 14:20-15:20; Mk 10:46-52
SAT Aug 19 Feria	Ps 107:33-43, 108:1-6; 2 Sam 16:1-23; Acts 22:17-29	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1, 5-11; Mt 19:13-15	Ps 33; Jg 16:1-14; Mk 11:1-11
SUN Aug 20 12th Sunday after Pentecost	Ps 118; 2 Sam 17:1-23; Gal 3:6-14	Is 56:1, 6-8; Ps 67; Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32; Mt 15: 21-28	Ps 145; Jg 16:15-31; Jn 5:30-47

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