

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Fourth Sunday After Epiphany
January 28, 2024 | 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 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

Grant me, O Lord my God,
a mind to know you,
a heart to seek you,
wisdom to find you,
conduct pleasing to you,
faithful perseverance in waiting for you,
and a hope of finally embracing you. Amen.

St Thomas Aquinas, c 1225 – 1274

Feast Day – 28 January

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

HYMN

God, whose almighty Word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight:
hear us we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light!

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.

God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make your face shine upon us:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth,
your saving power among the nations:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:
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.

Living God,

in Christ you make all things new.

Transform the poverty of our nature

by the riches of your grace,

and in the renewal of our lives

make known your glory;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

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 book of Deuteronomy.

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.'

(Deuteronomy 18:15-20)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord!
they are studied by all who delight in them.

**His work is full of majesty and splendour,
and his righteousness endures for ever.
He makes his marvellous works to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

He gives food to those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
He has shown his people the power of his works
in giving them the lands of the nations.

**The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;
all his commandments are sure.
They stand fast for ever and ever,
because they are done in truth and equity.**

He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.**

(Psalm 111)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that 'all of us possess knowledge.' Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that 'no idol in the world really exists', and that 'there is no God but one.' Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 'Food will not bring us close to God.' We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

(1 Corinthians 8:1-13)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. I will bow down toward your holy temple and bless your name. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

(Mark 1:21-28)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Mother Amanda Ruston

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 the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Charles our King, and for our Parliament and Government;

for the leaders of the nations, and all in authority.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For continuing action in the face of the climate emergency, and for an end to famine, fire, and flood throughout all the earth.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the whole People of God, that we may be true and faithful servants of Christ, and especially for Warren, preparing for baptism.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- for Linda our Primate; Lynne our Metropolitan; and John our Bishop
- for Archbishop Christopher and Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Mishamikoweesh
- for Bishop Benny and our companion diocese of Northern Philippines,
- for The Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and the Yukon: The Territory of the People; The Dioceses of British Columbia; Caledonia; Kootenay; New Westminster; Yukon,
 - and our own parish of St. James.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them; and for: Kenny Landherr; Kate Flood; Byron; Philip; Judy; Philippa Pride; June & Charles Nixon; Paul Kimm; Marko; Patrick Burns; Vivian Lam; Christopher; Sonja & Gary; Matthew; Paul Waller; Ronald Croft; Tom Gowan; Caitlin; Daniel; Ross & Greg; Jan Lowe; Lindsay Ewenin; Isabel Moustakas; Bryan & Karin; Samantha; Rosalind Knight; Lynn Wilson; Carla; Marion & the Wilson family,

and in our Street Outreach for: Kari-Ann; Gregory; and the Aboriginal Front Door Society;

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For all who have died recently,

and for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time:

Agnes Retter; Gwyneth Gordon; Ronald Phelps; Marie Elizabeth Jones; Beatrice Church; Richard Fernyhough; Rona Brown; and Walter Taylor.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

Remembering Holy Mary, the Mother of God,
St. James our Patron, and all the saints,
we commit 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

Let every tongue confess with one accord
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;
and God the Father be by all adored:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of steadfast love,
may our offering this day,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
renew us for your service.

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

Amen.

THE GRACE

Christ the Son of God perfect in us the image of his glory
and gladden our hearts with the good news of his kingdom.

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.

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

and in memory of
Marie Elizabeth Jones.

Clergy Notes

Last Thursday's Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul prompted me to ponder for a while on Conversion's integral place in our Christian living. On the surface it appears that Paul's dramatic – traumatic - experience on the Damascus Road was for him a complete turn-around, a complete break with his past as a strict Pharisaic Jew. Yes, his encounter with the Risen Christ was life-changing, for him and for the infant church, but it was a stage on a continuing journey of change, conversion.

Through this encounter Paul came to realise that the fulfilment of the Jewish covenant was to be found by walking in the way of Christ, for Christ himself is the Yes, the fulfilment of God's promises. By grace the force and fervour with which Paul had promoted the Law as a Pharisee was transferred to his proclamation of the Gospel. God guided Paul as he was, with his gifts and talents, with his weaknesses too, to a new ministry as an apostle. In his Letters and in the Acts of the Apostles we see that Paul's understanding of faith and his relationship with God develops and grows over time and through experience: there are continuing conversions. In a sense, conversion is never complete.

Few of us are privileged to have such a dramatic conversion event, though there are well-attested examples, among them John Newton and the Wesley brothers. Nonetheless, I suggest that each and all of us in our journey with Christ are invited to walk in the way of conversion, opening ourselves to God's grace, to turn continually to Christ, that his image may be formed more perfectly within us, that we may become more Christ-like. As with St. Paul, God takes us as we are, gifts, talents and weaknesses, and nudges, cajoles, moulds us into the wonderful human beings he is calling us to be. Conversion should be our way of life!

With every blessing,

Fr Kevin

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Fr Matthew is on leave and out of email contact.

ABSENCE

Fr Kevin is away today speaking at Christ Church Cathedral.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

Notice of the Annual Vestry Meeting and Nomination List is [posted online here](#). The Annual Vestry Meeting will take place in person after Mass on **Sunday, February 25**. Sandwiches will be provided.

Annual reports for 2023 by Clergy, Wardens, Treasurer, Guild Presidents, Committee Leaders, and other usual contributors are due by **4:00 pm, Monday, February 5**. Please send your unformatted Word documents to office@stjames.bc.ca.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday, February 1 at 6:30 pm	Solemn Mass for the Eve of Candlemas
Sunday, February 11 at 4:00 pm	Solemn Evensong and Benediction
Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 pm	Reading of St. Mark's Gospel part ii (On Zoom. More details to follow.)

ROAD CLOSURES

Road closures will affect the neighbourhood around St. James' on the morning of **Sunday, February 11**. Please keep this in mind when making your plans to visit the church.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is on **February 14**. Daily Mass at **12:10 pm** will include imposition of ashes, and Solemn Mass with imposition of ashes will take place in church at **6:30 pm**.

Please bring any of last year's Palm Crosses to church by **Sunday February 11** so that ash can be prepared.

THE CRAFT OF SPIRIT: BC LITURGICAL TEXTILES

A curated exhibition of liturgical vestments historical and modern is open now at Il Museo Gallery at the Italian Cultural Centre. Featuring pieces by contemporary textiles artists as well as items on loan from local churches including St. James', this exhibition of breathtaking textile art is open **Tuesday to Sunday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm until March 31, 2024**. Admission is free. For more visit italianculturalcentre.ca/current-exhibition.

ORGAN VIRTUOSO LORETO ARAMENDI RETURNS TO ST. JAMES'

On **Friday, February 16, at 7:30 pm** St. James' is pleased to welcome back Loreto Aramendi, an international concert artist and main organist of the Basilica of Santa María del Coro in San Sebastián, Spain. We had a full church at St. James' when Loreto performed here in 2023, and the audience appreciation of was reflected in an extended ovation in recognition of her extra-ordinary musicianship. For her return to St. James' Loreto will be playing music by Jehan Alain, Nicolaus Bruhns, Franz Liszt, Richard Wagner, and Maurice Duruflé — all of which will sound magnificent on St. James' mighty pipe organ! Visit sjmusic.ca for more information.

ST. JAMES' PIPE ORGAN: HOW DOES IT WORK? WITH LORETO ARAMENDI

How does the organ work, and how does the organ use its many stops to create the classic 'organ sounds' that imitate the sound of various instruments of the orchestra? Join Spanish Organist Loreto Aramendi on **Saturday, February 17, at 10:30 am** at St. James' for a workshop on the use of organ stops, how they are combined to produce different sounds, and how the organ is capable of crescendos & diminuendos. Visit sjmusic.ca for more information.

BIBLE STUDY

Interested in learning more about Scripture, or how to apply the Bible to your daily life? Bring your questions and curiosity and join in the conversation (or just listen if you prefer!) We meet in person and on Zoom, **every Wednesday at 1:00 pm**. No registration required. All are welcome! Please contact Mtr Amanda if you would like to be sent the reading and discussion questions ahead of time.

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Zoom Passcode: 247805

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.

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office is said via Zoom **Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm**. Join by Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Zoom Passcode: 762469

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP at **9:00 pm Friday nights** via Zoom. Bring your own book, or contact Mother Amanda for the PDF order of service. Join by Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Zoom Passcode: 688517

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. Join by Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159

No passcode required

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON Jan 29 Feria	Ps 56, 57; Gen 19:1-17; Heb 11:1-12	2 Sam 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-14; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20	Ps 64, 65; Is 51:17-23; Jn 6:27-40
TUES Jan 30 Charles Stuart, King of England, & Martyr, 1649	Ps 61, 62; Gen 21:1-21; Heb 11:13-22	2 Sam 18:9-14, 24-19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43	Ps 68:1-20 24-36; Is 52:1-12; Jn 6:41-51
WED Jan 31 St. John Bosco, Priest, Founder of the Salesian Order, 1878	Ps 72; Gen 22:1-18; Heb 11:23-31	2 Sam 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-8; Mk 6:1-6	Ps 119:73-96; Is 54:1-10; Jn 6:52-59
THUR Feb 1 Eve of the Presentation of our Lord: Solemn Mass 6:30 pm	Ps 71; Gen 23:1-20; Heb 11:32-12:2	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Ps 132:10-19; Mk 6:7-13	Ps 113, 122; 1 Sam 1:20-28a; Rom 8:14-21
FRI Feb 2 Candlemas	Ps 42, 43; 1 Sam 2:1-10; Jn 8:31-36	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 84; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40	Ps 48, 87; Hag 2:1-9; 1 Jn 3:1-8
SAT Feb 3 St. Anskar, Archbishop, Missionary in Sweden, 865	Ps 75, 76; Gen 24:28-38, 49-51; Heb 12:12-29	1 Kgs 3:3-14; Ps 119:9-16; Mk 6:30-34	Ps 23, 27; Is 57:3-13; Jn 7:14-36;
SUN Feb 4 5th Sunday After Epiphany	Ps 93, 96; Gen 24:50-67; 2-Tim-2:14-21	Is 40:21-31; Ps 147:1-12, 21c; 1 Cor 9:16-23; Mk 1:29-39	Ps 34; Is 57:14-21; Mk 10:13-22

CLERGY

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