

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
June 16, 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 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 at office@stjames.bc.ca.

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

Saint Alban, you gave us an example of hospitality by opening your home to one in need and, as a result of this encounter, were completely changed.

We ask that through your intercession we may be given the courage to offer help to those who are forced to flee their homes in search of safety.

We ask that in accompanying others as you did we may encounter God in a new way. Saint Alban, Patron of Refugees, pray for us and all refugees around the world.

Amen.

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wə́əm (Musqueam), Sk̓w̓x̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tseil-Waututh) First Nations, we meet

+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

Almighty God, they word is cast
like seed into the ground:
now let the dew of heaven descend
and righteous fruits abound.

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, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all
and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

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,
without you we are not able to please you.
Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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 the prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it

on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest

winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree

and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken;

I will accomplish it.

(Ezekiel 17:22-24)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord,
and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

**To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning
and of your faithfulness in the night season;**

On the psaltery, and on the lyre,
and to the melody of the harp.

**For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord;
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

**Those who are planted in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts of our God;**

They shall still bear fruit in old age;
they shall be green and succulent;

**That they may show how upright the Lord is,
my rock, in whom there is no fault.**

(Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14)

SECOND READING

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

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

(2 Cor 5:6-10, 14-17)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. The king shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation. **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.

Jesus also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

(Mark 4:26-34)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Father Neil Fernyhough

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 Charles, our King; for the leaders of the nations and all in authority,
and for the peace of the world.

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 Newcomers to Canada travelling safely and transitioning smoothly into their
new home and culture,

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Christians everywhere, that we may be filled with your Holy Spirit;

- 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 Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Fredericton,
- for Bishop Benny and our companion diocese of Northern Philippines,
- in our Diocese, for:
 - the parish St. David and St. Paul, Powell River,
 - the Diocesan Refugee Unit,
 - and our own parish of St. James.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For those who are sick or bound by fear, despair and need of any kind, especially: Kenny Landherr; Byron; June & Charles Nixon; Paul Kimm; Patrick Burns; Vivian Lam; Paul Waller; Caitlin; Daniel; Bryan & Karin; Rosalind Knight; Bueron; Sylvia Guno; Paul & Dorothy; Betty Chong; Reg Lee; Cynthia; Keith Fenton, Jr; Viger Persinger; Nancy; Louise Bass; Jan Lowe; Greg; Kevin; Mary Hamilton; Matthew; Judy; Jerry; Patricia Rilcof; Shawn Wilson; Amir; Jennifer; Ian Bee; Otfried Tuch; Rosario Tuch; Robin; and Shirley Gray,

and in our Street Outreach for: Antonio; Sarah; Omar; Shane; Will; Oscar; Glenda; Christina; Darryl; Jason; Jay; Dr Brian Conway & the Vancouver Infectious Diseases Centre; and Dr Susan Burgess & the Downtown Community Health Centre,
Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For all who have died recently, especially: Richard; Dave Johnson; Michael Symons; Arlene; Marlene; Darlene; Valentine Owens,

and for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Harold Duncan; Ruth Naito; Quentin Fedden; Ivy Barber-Johnson; Lou Armanini; Janet Kizer; Cesario Zafra; Charles Reeve, priest; Elizabeth Coan; and Gail Biden.

+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

Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round
Of circling planets singing on their way;
Guide to the nations from the night profound
Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts that we may ever be
Guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of reconciliation and forgiveness,
the saving work of Christ has made our peace with you.
May that work grow toward its perfection
in all we offer you this day.
We ask this in his name.

Amen.

THE GRACE

The peace of God which passes 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.

SALVE REGINA

Hail, Mary, mother and queen of tender mercy,
our life, our comfort, and our hope, we hail thee.
From this foreign land, Eve's sons and daughters cry to thee.
So lost, so full of fear, we mourn, we grieve, we sigh
from this tearful vale of exile.

Ah then, our help, our advocate and guide,
turn now to us, the gaze of thine all loving-eyes, so full of mercy.
And Jesus, thy Son and Lord, thy womb's most blessed fruit,
show him to us when we complete our sojourn.
O gentle, O loving, O beloved, O Virgin Mary.

Clergy Notes

This week the church celebrates St. Alban, Britain's first martyr. His story is a remarkable one. He was a soldier in one of the Roman legions that guarded the Province of Britannia early in the third century. This legion's camp was at a place called Verulamium, some twenty miles north of London. Alban was a pagan, but he was moved with compassion when he encountered a Christian priest who was fleeing persecution. He offered him refuge in his own dwelling, at great risk to his personal safety. When Alban witnessed the priest saying his prayers, he was impressed by the man's obvious sincerity and deep devotion. A discussion followed, during which Alban declared himself ready to become a Christian.

Meanwhile, the Roman authorities received reports that the priest was hiding with Alban and soldiers were dispatched to seize him. When the detail arrived at his house, Alban was at the doorway. He was wearing the priest's cloak (the customary garb of a priest in those days) and presented himself to the soldiers as the person they were looking for. He was taken before the military governor, who quickly discovered the ruse and asked him to save himself by offering the ritual sacrifices to the Emperor. Alban refused point blank and declared, "I am Alban and serve the only true and living God, who created all things". He was condemned to death and beheaded that same day. Alban's martyrdom is considered to have been his baptism.

Since that time, the site of his execution has been the site of Christian pilgrimage. Today, there is a magnificent cathedral that bears his name, which I strongly encourage you to visit if ever you are in that part of the world. It has one of the best visitors' centres that I have encountered, a fine liturgy that combines the best of traditional and contemporary resources and an impressive record of outreach into the local community.

Fr Neil Gray

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

SUMMER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The Flower Guild encourages parishioners to consider donating for flowers on a summer Sunday, when the greatest variety of blooms is available and your gift goes further. If you would like to make a flower dedication for a loved one, please use the form at stjames.bc.ca/flower-dedications-at-st-james no later than 7 days before the Sunday of your choice, or sign up at the back of the church and send a cheque to the Parish Office well in advance of your preferred date.

NEWCOMER ARRIVALS

In early 2021, the Diocesan Refugee Committee asked St. James' to consider co-sponsoring two refugees, and the Trustees agreed. After a long process and much waiting, they will finally arrive on June 10. Please keep the Newcomers in your prayers for safe travels and smooth settling in to a new culture and way of life.

BIBLE STUDY SUMMER BREAK

Bible Study is on pause and will resume **Wednesday, September 4**.
Enjoy your summer!

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office is said online via Zoom **Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm**. Join via 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. We meet at **9:00 pm Friday nights**. Bring your own book or contact Mtr Amanda for the PDF order of service. Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Zoom Passcode: 688517

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 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.

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON June 17 Feria	Ps 80; Num 9:15-23, 10:29-36; Rom 1:1-15	1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:1-6; Mt 5:38-42	Ps 77; 1 Sam 1:1-20; Mt 17:14-21
TUES June 18 Bernard Mizeki, Catechist in Rhodesia, Martyr, 1896	Ps 78:1-39; Num 11:1-23; Rom 1:16-25	1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:1-11; Mt 5:43-48	Ps 78:40-72; 1 Sam 1:21-2:11; Mt 17:22-27
WED June 19 Feria	Ps 119:97-120; Num 11:24-33; Rom 1:28-2:11	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:19-24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	Ps 81, 82; 1 Sam 2:12-26; Mt 18:1-9
THUR June 20 Feria	Ps 34; Num 12:1-16; Rom 2:12-24	Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97; Mt 6:7-15	Ps 85, 86; 1 Sam 2:27-36; Mt 18:10-20
FRI June 21 National Aboriginal Day	Ps 88; Num 13:1-3, 21-30; Rom 2:25-3:8	Is 40:25-31; Ps 19; Phil 4:4-9; Jn 1:1-18	Ps 91, 92; 1 Sam 3:1-21; Mt 18:21-35
SAT June 22 St. Alban, First Martyr of Britain, c.209	Ps 87, 90; Num 13:31-14:25; Rom 3:9-20	2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:19-33; Mt 6:24-34	Ps 136; 1 Sam 4:1b-11; Mt 19:1-12
SUN June 23 Aboriginal Prayer Sunday	Ps 66, 67; Num 14:26-45; Acts 15:1-12	Job 38:1-11; Ps 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Cor 6:1-13; Mk 4:35-41	Ps 103; Sir 48:1-11; Lk 1:5-23

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